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Shatin — dep.	7.03	—	—	—	9.38	11.07	12.51	1.39	—	5.15	5.55	7.50
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Taipo Market dep.	7.23	—	—	—	9.57	11.26	13.12	1.58	—	5.33	6.13	8.09
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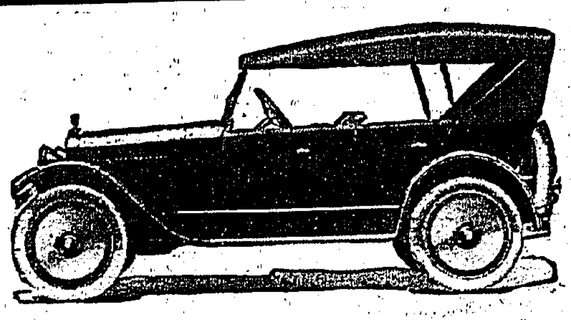
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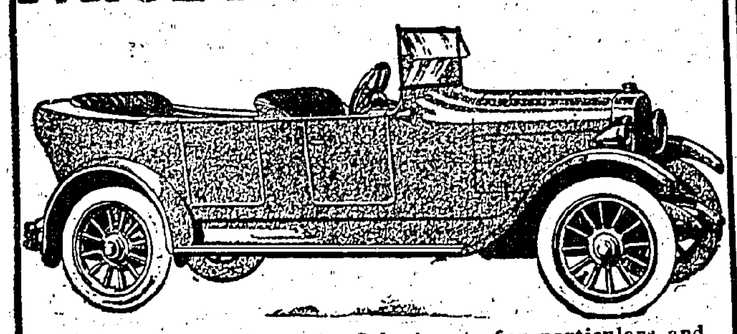
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Sir Herbert Russell has contributed the following to a home paper:—

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The whole subject of "seas" is one of fascinating interest. The various forms in which the ocean expresses its moods are extraordinary in their range. This we may gather from the number of words employed to describe the different types of surface disturbance. We have waves, billows, surges, curlers, combers, rollers, swells, surf, breakers, most of which are responsible for a florid adjectival category expressing either dimensions, or spray, or violence.

Commotion of the sea surface is occasioned by various causes. The wind, of course, is the chief factor of disturbance. Tidal influences will cause agitation, ranging from the race or overfall familiar around our coasts to the slow-moving magnificent rollers which burst upon the shores of St. Helena. Shoaling ground will occasion breakers from an almost imperceptible heave of surface. The reason for the calm swell is not always easy to divine; in most cases it is either the pioneer or the aftermath of a storm, but a fog will bring up quite a considerable roll in most placid weather—nobody appears to know precisely why.

THE HEAVIEST SEAS.

One often hears old sailormen debating as to where the heaviest seas in the world may be met. Naturally their opinions are influenced by the zone in which they have encountered the fiercest gale. But the consensus of experience seems to favour the waters of the Agulhas Bank as the most undesirable tract of ocean in this respect. The billows that chase in towards the Cape of Good Hope in a south-easter have, the whole drift of the Antarctic Ocean behind them, and owing to the character of the ground they are even more ferocious than the seas off Cape Horn. For it is now known that wave action in tempestuous weather extends to an immense depth, and that the bed of the ocean, according to how far it may be smooth or jagged, will influence the scend of the seas.

The Chops of the Channel, in a heavy south-westerly gale, are a playground for very heavy seas. The rapid shoaling of the bed from beyond soundings to the thirty-odd fathoms around the Eddystone produces a heaping-up of the liquid ridges. As to the height of the heaviest waves raised by tempest, this very rarely exceeds 40 feet from crest to hollow in the open ocean, but may become accentuated in shoaling water. The trough is usually about fifteen times the height from crest to crest of regularly-running surges.

The biggest sea is not by any means necessarily the most dangerous sea from the sailor's point of view. Mere altitude of peak and yawn of chasm are not alarming. It is the breaking sea which the mariner regards with apprehension; the steep wave with a curling, frothing crest, which is only seeking some unlucky hull to burst with a thunderous avalanche, filling the decks rail high.

Angry seas are more common in narrow waters than in the open ocean. They get most of their spite from the action of the tide, especially when this is setting athwart or against the wind. The Channel and the North Sea can furnish some fine examples of "lashing fury" in a heavy gale, and trawlers on the Doggerbank have been trampled out of existence by the jumble of short, smoking billows, probably never exceeding ten feet from peak to hollow, which they are powerless to override.

PROCESSIONAL WAVES.

The trades, the monsoons, and the "Roaring Forties" all produce a grand procession of waves, but as these winds are constant in their direction, so is the run of the surges regular. The principal peril of the cyclone or the typhoon lies in the pyramidical sea which it heaps up in its veering track. A vessel can surmount an astounding volume of water when it is regular in its course. But the cross sea sets her staggering without chance of recovery, and herein has lain the undiscovered explanation of many a case of "posted missing."

Considering the enormous momentum and power of even a comparatively small seaway, it is astonishing that it can be subdued by such a feather-weight trifle as rainfall. Yet such is the fact, and any sailorman will testify that a downpour will "knock down" the sea—always, of course, provided that an increasing weight of wind is not counter-acting the effect.

Boaring is one of those mysterious weather portents for, which no scientific explanation seems to be forthcoming. I am not, of course, speaking of the heaping-up of the tide, such as one finds high up the Bristol Channel, where the young flood advances in a regular wall of water. But in most of our coastal harbours it is no uncommon spectacle to see a number of little billows come shaling in over a comparatively smooth surface, just like the wake from a colossal liner. The old longshoremen will tell you to look out for dirt, and the old longshoremen will be right.

THE GROUND SWELL.

The ground swell is probably the most unpopular form of marine disturbance with that very large class of people who will

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FLANDERS MUD BLOOMS AGAIN.

THE INUNDATED AREA RESTORED.

Inundated Belgium, whose vegetation was drowned out with salt water by her military engineers to keep back the German hordes, was an unsavory expanse of mud for nearly a year after the Armistice remarks *The Literary Digest*. Sixteen months later it blossomed like the rose, being covered with plants and wild flowers. The return of the normal vegetation and the way in which it drove away the few saltmarsh plants, which were all that remained to the overflowered district, is interestingly told in a recent volume of proceedings issued by the Botanical Institute of Brussels under the superintendence of Prof. Jean Massart. We quote from a review in *Nature* (London) of Professor Massart's description of the vegetation succeeding upon the war-time inundations of the Yser and upon the ruins of Nieuport. Says this paper:

FLOODED FOR FOUR YEARS.

"Behind the dunes bordering the Belgian coast there lies a long stretch of country, the level of which is intermediate between the level of the high and low tides of the sea. On October 29th, 1914, the Belgian engineers opened the locks at high tide and allowed the sea to flow over this portion of their front, thus preventing the farther advance of the German forces, and giving their own heroic troops a well-earned respite. For four long years these inundations remained upon the land, fully maintained in winter by the natural rainfall and the humid atmosphere, in the drier season assisted by the regulated influx of the sea controlled by the Belgian engineer service.

"The vegetation of this region, once wrested from the sea, rapidly succumbed before the salt water—willows, poplars, elms, etc., all dying as the salt tide reached their roots. At Blankaert, where the waters of the Yser diluted the salt water, Massart figures an interesting group of willows which, inundated for more than a metre above their normal root level, have developed a fresh crop of roots at the new water level, increasing the girth of their trunks above this new fringe of roots.

WAR AMONG THE PLANTS.

"Very few plants replaced the displaced vegetation, and when the water retreated the mud was left bare and desolate. Massart describes the red alga, growing in the brackish water of a shell hole, but no longer red in colour. Fringing the salt inundation were typical halophytes [salt-water plant]. As the waters receded and the former denizens returned to the attack these plants have to retreat—in 1919 in the ascendent throughout the region, 1920 finds them fighting desperately for a foothold upon the salt-incrusted edge of many a shell-hole. Active in the attack upon these war-time invaders is *Agropyum repens*, a plant, the fighting qualities of which are known to many an allotment holder. *Phragmites Communis* had maintained itself during the inundation upon occasional islets rising above the general flood level, where it dispossessed practically all other inhabitants trying to maintain themselves before the salt flood. As the mud dries, long, slender rhizomes descend from these little knolls and Phragmites eagerly advances to recover its old domain. An interesting observation made by Massart is that as the yellow-flowered halophyte *Aster tripolium*, typical of the salt marsh, recedes before the reconquering flora of the fertile Belgian plain of peace, there is a fringe of the form of this aster with purple-ray florets to be found maintaining itself a time upon the more fertile, less saline soil. This occurrence of the purple form is being given further study in a bioldogical laboratory installed upon the Yser."

assure you that they like the sea very much more than the sea likes them. As a rule it is met with in very placid weather, when the sails of a vessel have not weight enough in them to steady her. Get into deep water and the restless, smooth-backed lop seems to die away into a gentle, barely noticeable, heave. Here again the explanation is generally rocks or broken ground, which ceases to have any agitating effect beyond the soundings down to which the swell action reaches.

The easiest motion of a vessel in a seaway is when weather-bowing the waves; the worst is when they are quartering upon her. In the first case she rises and falls rhythmically to the underrun; in the second she yaws and rolls in a manner which no skill of steering can avert. In the days of tacks and sheets it was rightly regarded as the highest test of seamanship to know just how long to be able to continue running before a mounting sea. The risk of "pooping" is a secondary consideration to the danger of bringing a vessel to when delay has been carried too far. In one memorable hurricane off the Cape of Good Hope three well-known ships were lost within a very short time of one another whilst attempting to heave-to, and were last seen from the deck of a Liverpool clipper which had put her helm down before it was too late.

That the weather affects the sea is, of course, self-evident. But that the sea affects the weather is not generally understood. Yet fishermen will tell you that in nine cases out of ten when the sky is looking bad the threat begins to materiallize on the turn of the tide, and to "harken home" with the making of the flood. It may be that the same lunar attraction which is drawing the body of water over the earth's surface exercises a similar effect upon the atmosphere. For dirty weather at the seaside nearly always comes from seaward.

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All Claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before 28th April, 1923, or they will not be recognized.

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WEATHER REPORT.

April 18th at 11.22—Pressure has increased considerably over the Yang ze Valley and decreased considerably over N.E. Japan. It has increased moderately to slightly in other districts.

The Chinese depression has filled up. There remains a separate depression over Indo-China, however.

An anticyclone has formed over N. China.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m., 18th April, 1.45 inches. Total since January 1st, 8.42 inches, against an average of 8.98 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon, 19th April, is as follows:—

DISTRICT	FORECAST
Hongkong to Gap Rock	E. winds, moderate; fair.
Formosa Channel	Variable winds, freshening from N.E. later.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocks	The same as No 1
South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan	The same as No. 1.

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, April 18th.

	Previous Day at 2 p.m.	On Date at 6 a.m.	On Date at 2 p.m.
Barometer ...	29.74	29.80	29.83
Temperature ...	70	71	78
Humidity ...	90	97	82
Wind Direction	SW	E	E
" Force ..	1	2	2
Weather	orm	bm	0
Rain	1.33	0.00	0.15

Highest open-air Temperature on 17th .. 78
Lowest open-air Temperature on 18th ... 71

THE CHILD AND THE BOOK.

IMPORTANCE OF ENGLISH.

The following article, which appeared in *John o' London's Weekly*, is by the Rt. Hon. H. A. L. Fisher formerly Minister of Education in England:—

In the education of an Englishman nothing is so important as the full possession of the English language. To speak and write English clearly and correctly, to read English in such a manner as to bring out the full value of its meaning and its music, to enjoy without affection the principal glories of English literature—these are the chief prizes which every English parent should desire his children to win from their education.

Yet by how many are these prizes attained? What proportion of our population can express itself exactly, can enunciate with distinctness, can read aloud so as to give pleasure to others, or can by a natural instinct or acquired taste reject that which is insincere or slovenly in the printed page? Great as has been the progress achieved in national education, there is still a big task to be accomplished by those whose office it is to teach the English language to English children.

It is not easy to exhaust the evils which flow from the wide acceptance of slatternly English either in speech or in writing by so large a number of British citizens. Loose speaking and loose writing always imply loose thinking, and loose thinking is at the root of most of the mistakes which are made in the conduct of life.

Fortunately, we are here in presence of an evil which admits of a large degree of correction. In every community there will always be a certain number of very foolish or very stupid people. Education may do much for them; it may make them modest; but they will never really win the prize of possessing their native language, for they are incapable of clear and exact thought upon any subject; and being obscure in their ideas will remain through life obscure in expression. Many, however, are more fortunate, and without being highly gifted may be brought through education into the enjoyment of the great inheritance of English speech.

We are the more encouraged in this view by the evidence among so many children in our elementary schools of those imaginative gifts which lie at the root of artistic appreciation. We know that children often exhibit a surprising degree of skill in writing short stories, in painting illustrations for poems (as was clearly shown a few years ago by an exhibition of children's paintings arranged by Mr. Roger Fry), and in constructing metrical exercises. Here for instance is a stanza, written after a rhythm picture placed on the blackboard by a boy of eleven, in an East Oxford school, and quoted in Mr. Greening Lamborn's "Expression in Speech and Writing":—

The spring hath come and with it flowers and trees.
The birds are flying to their homes again,
And now the crocus flutters in the breeze,
So happy that the gentle spring doth reign;
Birds twitter in the lane,
Just by the shallow rippling river:
The lambs do roll and romp about at ease,
Near where the slender rushes dance and quiver.

This example is sufficient to show that under a fine teacher children in our elementary schools may receive a sound literary training and may be taught to use their native tongue with suppleness and grace.

AN ARTISTIC PEOPLE.

There is, then, ample reason for supposing that a great educational effort for the improvement of our methods of teaching our native language and literature will meet with its reward. We are in truth an artistic people though we are shy of acknowledging it. We might, if we cared, become a great musical people. And that great educator, Miss Charlotte Mason, whose death we are now deploring, has shown us how readily English children respond to the appeal of the masterpieces of English literature.

Before enjoyment can be received from printed books a preliminary process must be endured. The child must be taught to read. Now, it is by no means a matter of indifference how this stage of a literary education is conducted. Just as children should be taught to form their letters in writing under the dominion of the idea that writing is an art and that letters should be as beautiful as they can be made, so through the spoken voice of the teacher they should learn what Tennyson used to call "the glory of words." At a very early stage, too, they may be introduced to some of the sublimities of literature. The Lord's Prayer, as even Napoleon pointed out, is an example of the sublime in literature. So too, are the Psalms and the Book of Isaiah, and many passages in the Gospels, simple enough to be read by quite young children. Indeed far too little use is made of the Bible in the literary education of our people, as the admirable Report of the Committee on the Teaching of English in England justly points out.

It is through the spoken voice that most children are led on to their first enjoyment of literature. A single poem read with intelligence and feeling is sometimes the fairy bell which awakens the soul to the splendours of imagination. How important, then, is it that the art of elocution should be carefully studied by those whose office it is to teach the young!

There is another essential. It is impossible to communicate a pleasure which you do not experience yourself. If the teacher is to impart an enjoyment of literature, he must himself take pleasure from written words. Children have a keen eye for insincere teaching. They know well enough whether their teacher is feeling or merely shamming enthusiasm. And so, since sincerity is the cardinal virtue, it is well that the teacher who really prefers Sheridan to Shakespeare should resort to "She Stoops to Conquer" rather than to Hamlet for his literary dissertations.

But Hamlet must be at hand, and the children must know how to find him. If boys and girls are to be taught to enjoy literature they must have an easy access to books. I have been in schools where the library consists of a beggarly collection of tattered school books hidden away in some obscure cupboard behind a screen of glass and only unlocked at stated intervals by the austere hand of authority. This is not the way to encourage familiarity with the great minds of the past. Books must be handled before they can be loved.

THE SCHOOL LIBRARY.

In every school then, there should be a library and in every library a generous store of books upon which children should be allowed to browse. If the school library is deficient, then let the circulating library come to the rescue. Let it also be observed that though fees are abolished in elementary schools there is no rule which forbids a parent from presenting a book to the school library. With a little voluntary support and organisation the libraries in our elementary schools might be made far more effective than they now generally are.

The selection of books for such a library is clearly a matter of great importance. Children who are nourished on trash grow up into adults who, having kept nothing but mean company in youth, think mean thoughts and take life at a generally low level.

What is principally wanted in the first instance is not a library composed of books which children *ought* to like, but a store of volumes which they are *sure* to like. In order to cultivate a taste for good literature we must begin by teaching children to take pleasure from a book. And so one of the cardinal rules which should govern the choice of at least half the books in a school library should be not "What should the little things like," but "What will they like?"

Their tastes, of course, will be very various, and in every good library for the young, whether in nursery or school, there should be a little of everything—poetry, fairy stories, tales of travels and adventure, histories, popular science, novels, biographies. No children's library will be complete without "Alice in Wonderland," "Alice Through the Looking-Glass," and Andrew Lang's Stories, and "Treasure Island" and "Kidnapped," and "The Child's Garden of Verse," and "David Copperfield" and "Pickwick"—but, in truth, so many good books, justly loved by all children, have been written in the English language that it is invidious to particularise. What is interesting is that some of the older writers like George Macdonald and Mrs. Molesworth (who, by the way, write sounder English than many modern practitioners of the art) retain their popularity.

A word must now be said about undesirable literature. There is so much reading matter produced every year, and so much of this is indifferent, if not harmful, that the avoidance of printed trash has become one of the major arts in life.

Here the educator may afford precious aid. It should at least be easy to provide children with such an abundance of good, attractive, wholesome literature as to create in them the foundations of a sound taste. What would really endanger the prospect would be a too pedantic insistence upon the exclusive claim of the great classics. Give children good literature to their age and taste, and they will read it and enjoy it and rise to its level. Give them the police news, and to the police news they will sink.

BRITISH TAXPAYER'S BURDEN.

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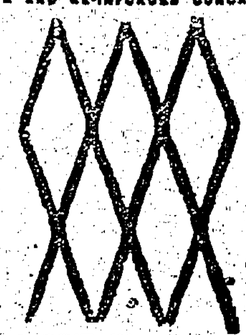
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THE BLUE FUNNEL FLEET.

THE FAR EASTERN SERVICE.

We have received particulars of the launching of the s.s. *Patroclus*, the 67th ship built by Scott's Shipbuilding and Engineering Co., Ltd., for Alfred Holt and Co.

Her gross tonnage is 11,400 tons, giving her a carrying capacity of 10,950 tons general cargo, and 2,550 tons fruit or refrigerated cargo. Her length over all is 517 ft. 6 in. She embodies the usual distinctive features of Blue Funnel Liners including the rake stem, with its rounded rolled steel plates above the water-line. She has nine watertight bulkheads extending to the upper deck, horizontal and vertical sliding watertight doors being fitted in the watertight bulkheads operated by hand, in addition to being controlled on the Scott-Ross electrical system. A fire-resisting bulkhead is built between the upper and centre castle decks, and one between the centre castle and boat decks, in addition to the usual steam and hand fire services, to secure the safety of the ship against spread of fire.

First-class passengers only are to be carried, and accommodation for 155 is arranged in state-rooms on the centre-castle and promenade decks as follows:—

(1) On the Promenade Deck:—2 Cabines de Luxe, each with 2 cot beds; 8 Rooms with 2 cot beds each; 2 Two-berth rooms; 6 Three-berth rooms.

(2) On the Centre-castle Deck:—15 Single-berth rooms; 4 Two-berth rooms; 30 Three-berth rooms.

In addition to the usual saloon, music room, smoke room and lounge entrance halls, there is a large and airy children's playroom and also special accommodation for native nurses, and a laundry.

The *Patroclus* is the second of the new class of passenger liner being built for the Blue Funnel Line (Alfred Holt & Co.), for their service to the Far East. The first, the *Sarpedon* was launched at Birkenhead, on Friday, February 2nd, and together with their two sister ships at present building at Greenock and Jarrow, they will maintain a monthly service to the East, which for speed, comfort and moderate fares will, it is claimed, be untouched by any other service.

This new class of steamer will sail from Liverpool, and will reach Port Said in 9 days, Singapore in 24 days, Hongkong in 29 days, and Shanghai in 32 days, and on the return journey will call at Penang, Colombo and Marseilles in addition to the above ports, landing passengers in London.

In connection with the above service several round tours have been arranged in conjunction with the other services of the Blue Funnel Line, and those of other Steamship Companies, of which the following two are typical:

United Kingdom to Singapore by the above services, thence by the Blue Funnel Western Australian Service *via* Java to Fremantle. By train or coastal service to Sydney, thence home *via* South Africa and Las Palmas by the Blue Funnel Australian service.

United Kingdom to Hongkong by the above service. Hongkong to Vancouver by Canadian Pacific Ocean Service. Vancouver to Quebec by Canadian Pacific Railway and Quebec home by Canadian Pacific Ocean Service.

COTTON MILLS IN CHINA.

A list of the cotton mills in China compiled for the *British Chamber of Commerce Journal* (Shanghai) shows the following distribution of spindles and looms:

	Spindles Working	Spindles Projected	Looms Working	Looms Projected
BRITISH MILLS.				
British ...	259,112	4,000	2,393	200
JAPANESE MILLS.				
British ...	565,092	395,508	1,386	—
American...	73,496	112,016	—	—
Japanese ...	—	—	1,350	2,189
Unknown...	—	28,000	—	—
	638,588	535,524	2,736	2,189
CHINESE MILLS.				
British ...	939,551	262,464	2,054	1,778
American...	731,088	131,052	2,406	400
Japanese ...	—	—	620	—
Japanese & American..	—	—	998	—
Unknown...	23,592	—	800	320
	1,694,231	393,516	6,878	2,498
TOTAL SPINDLES AND LOOMS.				
British ...	1,763,755	662,272	5,833	1,978
American...	804,584	243,068	2,406	400
Japanese ...	—	—	1,970	2,189
Japanese & American..	—	—	998	—
Unknown...	23,592	28,000	800	320
	2,591,931	933,340	12,007	4,887

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CHINA AND TRADE MARKS.

AN IMPORTANT DECISION.

The *British Chamber of Commerce Journal* (Shanghai) says:—

The dismissal of the criminal proceedings for infringement of trademark in the Swedish match case tried two or three weeks ago in the Mixed Court caused some anxiety among foreign trademark owners in China. Apparently no reason was given for such dismissal of the criminal proceedings, although possibly the fact that civil proceedings were pending at the same time may have had some bearing on the matter. British merchants, therefore, were very glad to see that criminal liability was established in the recent prosecution by British Cigarette Co., Ltd., in the Mixed Court in respect of the manufacture and sale of an imitation of the "Chienmen" brand. The imitation cigarettes bore the imprint of a die which very closely resembled the imprint on "Chienmen" cigarettes, but when closely examined the spelling within the design of the imprint was found to be "Chinaman" instead of "Chienmen." Proceedings were taken under Article 359 of the Chinese Provisional Criminal Code, which provides penalties against any person who fraudulently injures the credit of any person or of his business; and also under Article 243 of the Code which provides penalties in case of forgery of any private document or plan showing the material facts of the rights and obligations of any other person. It appears that a decision of the Chinese Appeal Court at Peking has laid it down that the imitation of a trademark is covered by the latter article.

The legal representative of the accused suggested that the case would be met by the accused entering into an undertaking not to make any more imitation cigarettes, but it appeared that the two accused who were responsible for the actual manufacture of the spurious cigarettes had been previously warned in connection with the manufacture of cigarettes bearing the imprint "Baby Queer," "Wah. Ho. Walls" in imitation of "Ruby Queen" "W.D. and H.O. Wills," and the Court convicted the accused and fined one of them $75 and the other two $50 each. The Court further directed that all the spurious cigarettes should be destroyed and that the die used for making the imprint on them should be given up.

This decision establishes the point that, although there is no express reference to the imitation of trademarks as a criminal offence in the Chinese Provisional Criminal Code, the deliberate imitation of a mark may nevertheless bring the offender within certain articles of the Code. Where no trade mark is actually imitated but goods are passed off as goods marketed by another trader proceedings can be instituted for fraud, and such cases come under the articles of the Code relating to fraud. Thus, while there is no trademark law in China, foreigners are now sure of two effective means of preventing others from obtaining the benefit of the goodwill to which their goods are entitled.

In connection with this decision it is, perhaps, advisable to take a report which has recently reached Shanghai to the effect that orders have been received by the Customs here to transfer all trademarks registered at the Custom House to the Ministry of Commerce in Peking, where, it is stated, they are in future to be kept. If this report is correct, the instruction to transfer will have to be protested against, as it is a distinct violation of the Mackey Treaty of 1902.

JAPAN'S TRADE WITH CHINA.

PROPOSED SILVER RESERVE OF $100,000,000.

A proposal to establish a silver reserve of $100,000,000 (Chinese) in China on behalf of Japanese merchants was discussed at Tokyo recently by Messrs. Shiraiwa Ryuhei of the Toa Company, Yasukawa Yunosuke of the Mitsui Company, Miyakekawa Momotaro of the Mitsubishi Company, Takata Kamakichi of the Takata Company, Ishii Tetsu of the Yusen Kaisha and Takasugi Shin of the Nippon Beer Company, who are interested in business in China, in conference with Messrs. Nakashima Kumakichi and Fujimura Yoshiro. Although a Bill giving facilities to Japanese business companies in China was passed at the session of the Diet, they did not think it sufficient.

The gist of the explanation given by Mr. Nakashima was this: The business men above mentioned found it necessary to have a silver reserve of about 100,000,000 yuan in order to provide funds for the purchase of raw cotton, wool, and other products in China and to advance loans on long terms to Japanese merchants there. It would be most convenient for the purpose to establish a special bank to be called the Japan-China Bank, but it was impossible to do so with the Chinese Government in its present condition. Besides there were many complications in connection with the special banks in Japan. So the new plan was that money should be allocated by the national treasury every year to buy silver with, and that it should be held in reserve in China. The Government is not expected to oppose the plan.

LUXOR "RAG" AT CAMBRIDGE.

In Cambridge market-place, on March 7th, undergraduates, aided and abetted, it is suspected, by the naval officer students, whose period of training at Cambridge is about to expire, opened the "tomb of Toot-an-Kum-in." Shortly before noon processions of weirdly-dressed Dervishes, Nubians, and Egyptian women with perambulators converged on the market square, and later on two personages, duly announced by a resplendent town crier, descended the "Tomb," accompanied by the Sultan and suite. An amazing collection of relics was brought up.

THE PREMIER'S ADVICE TO DR. SUN.

DR. SUN'S COMPROMISE.

A Peking message dated April 10th, says:—

The message which Dr. Wang Chung Hui and Mr. Yang Tien Chi are taking to Dr. Sun Yat Sen from the Peking Cabinet, is couched in very friendly terms in which the Premier and his colleagues dare to advise the southern leader to forsake his title of Great Marshal and to leave Canton for either Shanghai or Peking.

The letter expresses appreciation of Dr. Sun's circulars on disbandment and is apologetic that nothing has yet been accomplished along those lines. Looking toward the mutual peace of China, they as brothers ask Dr. Sun to work for the country at large and give up his aspirations in the southern provinces so that reunification may be achieved at an early date.

At the same time a telegram was received from one of Dr. Sun's lieutenants pointing out that the latter will continue to hold to his original plan of peaceful reunification. Comment is then made on the fact that if Peking is sincere in its announced desires of peaceful reunification, why does it not withdraw the Mandate which appointed General Shen Hung-ying, Director General of Kwangtung Military Affairs, and direct him to withdraw his troops from that Province.

TSEN CHUN-HSUAN AND THE TWO KWANG PROVINCES.

Mr. Tsen Teh-kwang, who has been despatched to Peking by Mr. Tsen Chun Hsuan as his special delegate, had an interview with the President the other day, says the *Peking Daily News*. Mr. Tsen Chun Hsuan, through his delegate, requests the President to take the following measures in dealing with the present situation in Kwangtung and Kwangsi:—

(1) That the Government should retain from appointing General Lu Yung Ting Inspector-General of the Liang Kwang provinces; because General Lu's aspiration to become Super-Tuchun of these two provinces is opposed by the Kwangtung and Kwangsi military leaders.

(2) That with a view to territorial aggrandisement, General Lu Yung Ting is planning the sending of a military expedition to Kwangtung, but as this would give rise to further disturbances in Kwangtung, the Government should telegraph hortatory instructions to General Lu, enjoining him to give up the expedition.

(3) That as the people in Kwangsi hope to see a popular and righteous person appointed as Civil Governor of the Province, the Government should select a proper candidate for this post without further delay so as to meet the wishes of the Kwangsi people.

(4) That as soon as General Ting Hung arrives in Kwangtung and reaches an agreement with Dr. Sun Yat Sen regarding the settlement of the Kwangtung situation, the Government should persuade General Shen Hung-yin to resume the post, to which he has been appointed.

BRITISH MILITARY ATTACHE VISITS WU PEI-FU.

A CORDIAL RECEPTION.

Colonel Orpen Palmer, C.M.G., Military Attaché of the British Legation in Peking, recently, paid a visit to Loyang, and stayed there for about five days returning to Peking on April 6th.

During his short and informal visit to Loyang, Col. Orpen Palmer, accompanied by Vice-Consul Hall, was warmly received by General Wu's staff officers who arranged a very interesting programme. He was invited to inspect the barracks, the classes of the soldiers, cadets and officers as well as all other buildings of the famous Third Division. The nurseries and trees planted by the soldiers and the Loyang Bridge built by General Wu were of interest to the guests.

The party enjoyed a motor-trip to Lungmen after having lunch at General Wu's in honour of Col. Orpen Palmer and Mr. Hall. Dr. C. T. Wang and Mr. Carroll, American Chief Engineer of the Hankow-Szechuan Railway, both of whom happened to be guests of General Wu, also had the pleasure of seeing the Temple of General Kwan Yu and the stone carvings on the Lungmen Hill. A suggestion made by Col. Orpen Palmer and Mr. Carroll that a bridge should be constructed over the Yi Ho near Lungmen was appreciated by General Wu who declared that he had the same idea.

The guests left Loyang on the 6th with a farewell expression that they were exceedingly sorry for not being able to be present at the Military Review to be held the following morning. Colonel Orpen Palmer and Mr. Hall went back to Peking while Dr. Wang and Mr. Carroll went south to Hankow.—*Chung Mei News Agency.*

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders of THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at THE HONGKONG HOTEL, Pedder Street, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 28th APRIL, 1923, at 11.30 O'CLOCK A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors for the year ended the 31st December, 1922, confirming the appointment of a Director, and electing a Director and Auditors.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Monday, the 23rd April, 1923, until Saturday, the 28th April, 1923, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
WALTER J. HAWKER,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 16th April, 1923. [715

THE SHANGHAI HOTELS, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders of THE SHANGHAI HOTELS, LIMITED, will be held at THE HONGKONG HOTEL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 28th APRIL, 1923, at 12 O'CLOCK NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors for the year ended the 31st December, 1922, and confirming the appointment of the Directors and the Auditors.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Thursday, the 26th April, 1923, until Saturday, the 28th April, 1923, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
WALTER J. HAWKER,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 16th April, 1923. [716

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Definitive Certificate No. 5/ns. 6655 dated 21st December, 1920, for 25 Shares numbered 24012 to 24919, 37035 to 37990, 34506 to 34511, 35343 to 35357: Provisional Certificate No. 57/768 dated 30th May, 1921, for 11 Shares, numbered 130243 to 130253 and Provisional Certificate No. 57/1045 for 1 Share numbered 131422 all registered in the name of Mr. SIN YEE SICHQUA are reported to have been destroyed by fire; and should these certificates not be produced to the Bank before the 13th day of May, 1923, New Certificates for the Shares will be issued and the aforesaid Definitive Certificate No. 5/ns. 6656 and Provisional Certificates Nos. 57/768 and 57/1045 will be thereafter treated by this Corporation as Null and Void.

By Order of the Court of Directors
A. G. STEPHEN,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 13th April, 1923. [706

NOTICE.

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HOUSING COMMISSION.

THE Undersigned would be glad to receive IN WRITING, on or before the 30TH INSTANT, suggestions from members of the General Public in regard to

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(2) The reduction of the cost of building materials.
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(6) Procuring an increased supply of skilled labourers.
(7) Reducing the number of middlemen.
(8) Other methods for reducing the cost of house construction.

2.—Measures which should be taken by the Government for promoting any of the above objects.

3.—Measures which should be taken by the Government
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THE SITUATION AT CANTON.

THE STRUGGLE FOR SUPREMACY.

NEARLY A THOUSAND CASUALTIES.

The latest news from Canton is to the effect that the Yunnanese forces, assisted by Cantonese troops have driven the Kwangsi forces from the White Cloud Mountain, and are conducting a vigorous offensive against them wherever they may be found. The latest mail news is that a Kwangsi force protecting the Arsenal was being attacked.

Yesterday's *Canton Daily News* contains the following details:—

KWANGSI-ITES CAN'T COME BACK.

Early morning of April 17th, about five o'clock, a detachment of Kwangsi troops of Shen Hung Ying made an attempt to recapture Kwun Yam Shan, Hill of the Goddess of Mercy but the enemy was repulsed by the Yunnanese. In pushing back the enemy, the Yunnanese took the Tung Tak Shing, Sai Tak Shing and Chiang Kong Forts in succession about six o'clock. A report from Yunnanese sources stated that they expected to capture the Arsenal at Shekcheng last night.

While the Kwangsi-ites were passing Lau Fah Kiu, north of Canton, on their retreat, they sacked the whole town.

CANTON CITY FREE OF KWANGSI-ITES.

According to the Chief of the Department of Military Affairs of the Headquarters of the Generalissimo, the White Cloud Mountain, the Kwun Yam Shan, and the Western Suburbs are now free of Kwangsi-ites. The Generalissimo has issued a general order instructing the forces under the Central Command in Kongmoon, Swatow, as well as in Canton to take action against the Kwangsi-ites wherever they may be found.

A summary of the report from the fighting zone received up to last night (Tuesday) included the capture of White Cloud Mountain, that the fall of the Kwangtung Arsenal at Shekcheng was imminent, that General Li Yi Piu, who led the first attack on Canton, was wounded the day before and had been transferred to Sunkai for treatment: that the remnants of the Kwangsi forces in White Cloud Mountain were being taken prisoners.

CASUALTIES BIGGEST YET.

As far as casualties are concerned, the fighting in progress now outside Canton is the biggest known around here for some time. A report to be confirmed states that nearly a thousand have been either killed or wounded in the last two days on both sides. The Canton Hospital alone took in nearly a hundred the last two days.

HONAM UNDER MILITARY VIGILANCE.

The Cantonese forces in Honam have declared a military vigilance over that section, and no steamers, launches or other craft may approach the important places there at night without permission. Yesterday afternoon a stray bullet dropped near the Honam Theatre, hitting a coolie, cutting a part of his left ear off.

A force of some 800 men under the Kwangsi-ites attacked Paksha, near Samshui, about one o'clock afternoon of April 17th and was met by a regiment of Yunnanese who successfully repulsed the enemy. The Yunnanese were in pursuit of the Kwangsi-ites according to an official report.

The 11th Regiment of the Yunnanese Army is now stationed at the White Cloud Mountain after the withdrawal of the Kwangsi-ites.

The defense of Hsiao Mau Ling, up the Shaho, which the Kwangsi-ites were attempting to retake, was being undertaken by General Li Fuh Lin of the Cantonese Army according to an afternoon report yesterday.

A KWANGSI SECTION LOYAL TO DR. SUN.

General Liu Chen Huan, commanding a division of the Kwangsi Army loyal to Dr. Sun, now with headquarters at Shekliung, is dispatching a brigade to Canton to assist in the operation to oust the Kwangsi-ites.

General Shen Hung Ying of the Kwangsi Army, now at Shiukwan, upon hearing of the defeat of Li Yi Piu near Canton, sent down nearly 3,000 men under Shen Yung Kuang yesterday afternoon by train; but when the Kwangsi-ites were about to disembark before reaching Saichuen, they received a check from the Yunnanese who forced them to fall back. The Kwangsi-ites left some forty dead behind.

CANTON-SHIUHING PASSENGER JUNK.

Much concern was felt yesterday afternoon because of the junk regularly plying between Canton and Shiuhing being overdue. That she might have been either delayed by the gale yesterday morning or by some military disturbance on the way was a question still undecided late in the evening. She was carrying more than 600 passengers when she left Shiuhing yesterday morning, it was reported.

ANOTHER STATUE FOR STATUE SQUARE.

MEMORIAL TO SIR HENRY MAY TO BE ERECTED.

Still another statue is to be erected in Statue Square. It is to be a bronze seated figure of the late Sir Henry May, who spent upwards of thirty years in the Civil Service, ultimately becoming Governor of the Colony. This latest addition to the imposing group of statues in the Square is to occupy a site facing the Praya between the Cenotaph and the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank War Memorial, both of which are now in the course of erection. Its position will be in alignment with the Bank memorial, only on the opposite side of the road. In detail it will also be a replica of the Bank Memorial excepting that the two figures surmounting the base of red polished Peterhead granite will, of course, be entirely different. The Bank Memorial bronze figure will be a representation of "Fame" and the figure will be in a standing posure. The representation of Sir Henry May will show the late Governor in a seated posture. The base work of both has been designed on the same lines so as not to spoil the perspective. The basis of each statue will be enclosed in a curved niche of local granite and at either end of both niches there will be bronze standards surmounted by arc lights.

We understand that the statue to Sir Henry May is being defrayed by public subscription. Messrs. Palmer and Turner, Architects and Surveyors, have charge of its erection. Work has already been commenced on the site and a number of Chinese are at present engaged in pile driving. It is hoped that the work on both statues will be completed and ready for unveiling on Empire Day. It is also hoped that the Cenotaph—the public Memorial of the War—will also be completed before that date.

Work on the Bank Memorial is well advanced and the bronze plates containing the inscription and the 42 names of those members of the Bank staff who fell in the Great War are already in position. The inscription plate which occupies the front of the statue bears the following words:

"1914-1918.

"In memory of the men of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank whose lives were given for their Country in the Great War."

Underneath the plate engraved in the granite are the following words:—

"They shall not grow old as we that are alive grow old. Age shall not weary them nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning we shall remember them."

The two bronze plates containing the names of the fallen men are placed opposite to each other and at right angles to the inscription plate.

DANGEROUS BLASTING.

HUGE ROCK FALLS AMONG A GROUP OF PEOPLE.

A piece of rock over two feet in length and a foot in depth was stated at the Magistracy, yesterday, to have been hurled by a blasting explosion over a distance of thirty feet, and into a house on the opposite side of the road. The case was one in which Ng Chi Mi and Fung Shi, building contractors, were summoned for careless blasting at Shaukiwan. They were represented by Mr. E. Davidson.

A large number of witnesses were called. From the evidence it would seem that the explosion took place at 11 a.m. on the 20th March. The force of it took the stones through the air, and sent three crashing through the door of No. 28, Quarry Bay. It so happened that just inside the door there was a group of tenants, eleven in number, standing chatting, and the three stones fell in their midst. The result was that four women received injuries, a man had his coat torn, and a small boy received a cut over the eye. Only one woman was seriously injured. She was struck on the leg, and had to be conveyed to the Government Civil Hospital where she remained for that night only. No bones were broken. In the course of their evidence, all the witnesses stated that they were rendered unconscious, and when they came to they saw the stones lying on the ground. None of the witnesses stated that they had actually seen the stones come through the air.

For the defence Mr. Davidson seized upon this point. He remarked that it was rather astonishing that they should all have been rendered unconscious, and that no one had actually seen the stones coming through the air. The people in the house might have been hit by a few small stones, but Mr. Davidson suggested that in order to make the case as serious as possible they had gone out and brought stones in afterwards. He pointed out that it was very remarkable that such a large number of people should all be standing in a group, and that a rock the size of the one produced should come hurling into their midst, and yet do no more damage than had actually been done. Also, he would remind his Worship that there were fourteen blasts, and thirteen of these had gone off all right. There was also a Government superintendent (a Chinese) present when the charges were laid, and a competent foreman, and on the fact of it, it would seem impossible that all three of these should have allowed one of the charges to be set in such a way as was inferred.

His Worship (Mr. J. R. Wood), said he felt bound to accept the *bona fides* of the witnesses, and a fine of $100 would be inflicted.

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CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

[BEFORE HIS HONOUR THE PUISNE JUDGE (MR. JUSTICE GOMPERTZ)].

HEAVY SENTENCES FOR ARMED MEN.

The monthly Criminal Sessions opened yesterday morning. In the first case before His Honour the Puisne Judge, three Chinese were arraigned for unlawful possession of arms and with committing an assault. The first two men pleaded "guilty" to the first count and the third pleaded guilty to the second charge.

The first two men were sentenced to seven years' each with hard labour and the third to one year with hard labour.

Another case of unlawful possession of a fully loaded revolver and 21 rounds of ammunition was then dealt with. The prisoner pleaded "guilty" to the charge and a sentence of five years with hard labour was ordered.

Another Chinese pleaded "guilty" to a charge of unlawfully having a dagger in his possession. His Honour ordered him to be sent to prison for five years with hard labour. The dagger was found hidden in the man's sock.

WOUNDING WITH INTENT TO DO BODILY HARM.

Pun Shun Fat, Lam Yeong and Fong Chong Ching were indicted for wounding with intent to do bodily harm to one Wong Leung.

The Jury empanelled to sit on the case was as follows:—Messrs. F. F. Eça da Silva (foreman), H. R. Sequeira, Mahomed Razeck, A. D. Ribeiro, Luiz A. L. Remedios, C. V. Carlos, Lam Chun Shang.

Mr. A. D. Ball, outlining the case, said the complainant was a maker of mah-jongg dominoes at West Point. At 5 p.m. on February 18th the complainant was in his shop on the first floor when he was visited by his friend, Ling Pun San. About that time a messenger came into shop and said that the complainant was wanted by a man named Leung Sam, who owed him $50. The complainant, accompanied by his friend, met Leung Sam outside and had a short conversation with him. Shortly afterwards he was set upon by six men, three of whom he was able to recognise. The man Leung Sam struck the first blow with a triangular instrument, whilst the messenger also joined in the attack. Neither of these two men had been arrested. The second prisoner was the other man whom the complainant recognised. He was alleged to have struck complainant with an axe. The attack was fierce but the complainant managed to parry some of the blows on his left arm. He later fell down, however, unconscious. When picked up by the police a dagger was still sticking in his back. His friend, who accompanied him from the shop, witnessed the whole attack and he identified all three prisoners who were known to him personally. His evidence would be of a corroborative nature. The attack is said to have been due to the fact that Leung Sam owed the complainant $50.

Dr. Smalley gave evidence as to the nature of the injuries received by the complainant and after further evidence had been taken the Jury returned a verdict of "guilty" against the second prisoner, and he was sentenced to seven years with hard labour. The first and third prisoners were found "not guilty" and they were discharged.

SPORT.

YESTERDAY'S TENNIS.

O. RUMJAHN IN THE FINAL OF THE SINGLES.

Three interesting matches were played off yesterday on the Club ground which still showed the effects of the past week's heavy rain and which in a measure spoiled the run of the play, the ball being slow in rising. In the semi-final round of the Open Singles competition, O. Rumjahn had no difficulty in disposing of his brother, S. A. Rumjahn, by three sets to one. O. Rumjahn now enters the final round and will have to meet either Thomas Lay or R. E. Worthington—very likely the latter.

In the Open Doubles Championship, Dods and Raworth beat Wild and Humphreys by three sets to one. The former couple now enter the semi-final where they will have to meet R. E. Worthington and H. Hancock.

An interesting Mixed Double match, which attracted a large number of spectators was that between G. W. Sewell partnered by Miss H. Irving and G. H. Hayes partnered by Mrs. C. C. Boyd. The former received +15 and defeated the latter, who gave 2/6, by three sets to one. The winners now enter the third round. A feature of this match was the bright play of the ladies. Both possess strong overhead services whilst Mrs. Boyd's work at the net was at times warmly applauded. Miss Irving was perhaps a little strong with her forehand drive and frequently drove out of court; otherwise her play was quite good. The defeated couple were playing against a very heavy handicap and on the run of the play both couples would have been more evenly matched on scratch.

THE OPEN SINGLES MATCH.

O. Rumjahn, excepting for a very keen tussle in the third set, was not hard pressed in his match with his brother S. A. Rumjahn. He always had him on the run and generally secured his point after a quiet series of backhand and forehand drives, by a gentle tap over the net or a well-placed smash to the side line. His brother did not, at any time, look dangerous, and he was nearly always forced back on to the base line with his opponent gradually working up to the net. He was also slow in following up a chance. It was, on the whole, a half-hearted exhibition and, though it was played on the Stand Court, it did not attract many spectators. In the fourth set, which was the last, S. A. Rumjahn was played out, and play had to be stopped on two occasions in order that he might recover from successive attacks of cramp. He lost the first and fourth sets, 6-3, 6-1, 6-1, but in the third set he showed up a little better, using more forceful tactics and instead of plain backhand and forehand driving he placed the ball from corner to corner which in the end beat his brother. He secured the set, 9-7. His service was none too good through out the match, and the umpire (Mr. Hugh Nisbet) frequently awarded foot-faults against him.

THE OPEN DOUBLES MATCH.

This match between Dods partnered by Raworth, and Wild—partnered by Humphreys was a re-play from last week, the match on that occasion having to be stopped owing to the darkness setting in. Play then stood at two sets all and five games all in the final sets. Wild and Humphreys in the closing stages of this game gave quite a plucky exhibition and at one time looked like winning from their opponents who led easily in the first two sets of the match. Yesterday's played opened with Dods and Raworth taking the first set, 7-5. Their opponents took the second set, 6-4; but they lost the next two, 3-6, 4-6. Dods and Raworth were on their mettle yesterday and the former played a very steady game, smashing with great success. Humphreys did not appear to be in such good form as he was at the previous match and he was slightly at fault when trying to work up to the net. His partner worked hard and was successful in counteracting the victorious couples' lobbing on occasions.

Scores:—

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP SINGLE.

Semi-Final.—O. Rumjahn beat S. A Rumjahn, 6-3, 6-1, 7-9, 6-1.

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP DOUBLES.

E. R. S. Dods and A. B. Raworth beat R. H. Wild and J. D. Humphreys, 7-5, 4-6, 6-3, 6-4.

HANDICAP SINGLES "A."

G. Miskin (+4/6) beat C. Wilson (+2/6), 6-3, 6-0, 6-4; A. Brearley (+4/6) beat C. E. P. Harrison (+3/6), 6-2, 2-6, 6-1.

HANDICAP SINGLES "B."

W. G. Kennear (+3/6) beat C. G. Perdue (—4/6), 6-4, 6-1.

MIXED DOUBLES.

G. W. Sewell and Miss H. Irving (+15) beat G. H. Hayes and Mrs. Boyd (—2/6), 6-1, 6-3, 7-5.

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Canton, 17th April, 1923. [736

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MR. LESLIE SOLBE GREENHILL has been appointed Secretary to the above Company vice Mr. MOWBRAY STAFFORD NORTHCOTE resigned with effect from 7th MARCH, 1923.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
C. P. CHATER,
Chairman.

Hongkong, 18th April, 1923. [741

THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-SECOND ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the Undersigned on THURSDAY, the 10TH MAY, 1923, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1922.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 26th instant to the 10th May, 1923, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 10th April, 1923. [738

MORTGAGE INVESTMENTS WANTED.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to Steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 24th April, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 8th May, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

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Hongkong, 17th April, 1923. [737

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IT IS NOTIFIED for the Information of All Whom It May Concern that the Officers, 2nd Bn., The King's Regt. do not hold themselves responsible for any Debts incurred by or on behalf of Messrs. AH YOUNG & Co., Officers' Mess Contractor. [730

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE SECOND GYMKHANA is fixed for SATURDAY, 5th MAY, 1923. Draft Programmes and Entry Forms may be obtained at the Race Course, Hongkong Club and Causeway Bay Stables.

Entries Close on Saturday, 21st April, 1923. [721

INTIMATIONS

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-FOURTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING will be held at the Company's Offices, ST. GEORGE'S BUILDING, on SATURDAY, 21st APRIL, 1923, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 28th February, 1923, and electing Directors and Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 14th to the 21st April, 1923, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 4th April, 1923. [655

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. JARDINE MATHESON & Co., LIMITED, Pedder Street, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on THURSDAY the THIRD day of MAY, 1923, at 11.30 A.M. o'CLOCK in the Forenoon:—

1.—For the purpose of considering, and, if thought fit, passing an Extraordinary Resolution to the effect:—

(*a.*) That the Conditional Agreement submitted to the meeting for the amalgamation with this Company of the Hongkong Central Estate Limited upon the terms (*inter alia*) of the acquisition by this Company of the complete undertaking, business, goodwill and property of The Hongkong Central Estate Limited in return for the issue to that Company of 40,000 shares of this Company of the nominal value of $25 each credited as fully paid up, being four shares of $25 each of this Company for each share of $100 each of The Hongkong Central Estate Limited, be and the same is hereby approved and that the Directors be and they are hereby authorised to carry the said Agreement into effect with such (if any) modification either before or after the execution thereof as they may think fit.

N.B.—A copy of such said Conditional Agreement may be inspected at any time during business hours at the Registered Office of the Company, Victoria Building, Queen's Road Central, Victoria aforesaid, and at the office of Messrs. Deacon, Harston and Shenton, 1, Des Vœux Road Central, Victoria aforesaid, Solicitors to the Company.

2.—For the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, approving the draft new Memorandum of Association of the Company which will be submitted to the meeting.

A print of such new Memorandum of Association and a print of the existing Memorandum of Association of the Company may be seen at the Registered Office of the Company, Victoria Building, Queen's Road Central, Victoria aforesaid, and at the office of Messrs. Deacon, Harston and Shenton, 1, Des Vœux Road Central, Victoria aforesaid, Solicitors for the Company, and the portions of the proposed new Memorandum of Association which differ from the existing Memorandum of Association are indicated by being underlined in red.

Should the meeting approve of such new Memorandum of Association, with or without modification, the subjoined Resolution will be proposed as an extraordinary Resolution, namely:—

(*b.*) That the provisions of the Company's Memorandum of Association with respect to its objects be altered so as to read as shown in the print signed for the purpose of identification by the Chairman of this meeting.

3.—For the purpose of considering, and, if thought fit, approving the draft new Articles of the Company which will be submitted to the meeting.

A print of such new Articles and a print of the existing Articles may be seen at the Company's said Registered Office and at the said office of Messrs. Deacon, Harston and Shenton. In such print the portions of the proposed new Article which differ from the existing Articles are indicated by being underlined in red.

Should the meeting approve of such new Articles, with or without modification, the subjoined Resolution will be proposed as an Extraordinary Resolution, namely:—

(*c.*) That the new Articles already approved by this Meeting and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the Chairman thereof be and the same are hereby adopted as the Articles of the Company to the exclusion of and in substitution for all the existing Articles thereof.

Should the above-mentioned Resolutions (*b* and *c*) be passed by the required majority they will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions to a further Extraordinary General Meeting which will be subsequently convened.

Should the second of the above Resolutions (*b*) be confirmed as a Special Resolution by the requisite majority, the alterations in the Company's Memorandum of Association consequently involved will be submitted to the Supreme Court of Hongkong for confirmation.

Dated this 17th day of April, 1923.

By Order of the Board,
L. S. GREENHILL,
Secretary.

N.B.—The necessary steps will be taken to divide each of the existing 50,000 shares of $100 each constituting the present Capital of this Company of $5,000,000 into four fully paid up shares of $25 each and thereafter to increase the said Capital from 5,000,000 to $10,000,000 by the creation of 200,000 new shares of $25 each. [734

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INTIMATIONS

THE HONGKONG CENTRAL ESTATE LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at the offices of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LIMITED, Pedder Street, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 3RD DAY of MAY, 1923, at Noon, for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing as Extraordinary Resolutions the following, namely:—

1.—That it is expedient to effect an amalgamation of this Company with the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company Limited, and with a view thereto this Company be wound up voluntarily and that HORACE PERCY SMITH of Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong be and he is hereby appointed Liquidator for the purpose of such winding up.

2.—That the Conditional Agreement submitted to the Meeting for the amalgamation of this Company with The Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company Limited upon the terms (*inter alia*) of the acquisition by The Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company Limited of the complete undertaking, business, goodwill and property of this Company in return for the issue to this Company of 40,000 shares of The Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company Limited of the nominal value of $25 each credited as fully paid up, being four shares of $25 each of that Company for each share of $100 each of this Company, be and the same is hereby approved and that the Liquidator be and he is hereby authorised, pursuant to Section 165 of The Companies Ordinance 1911 to adopt the said Agreement and carry the same into effect with such (if any) modifications either before or after the execution thereof as the said Liquidator may think expedient.

N.B.—A copy of such said Conditional Agreement may be inspected at any time during business hours at the Registered Office of the Company, Victoria Building, Queen's Road Central, Victoria aforesaid, and at the office of Messrs. Deacon, Harston and Shenton, 1, Des Vœux Road Central, Victoria aforesaid, Solicitors to the Company.

3.—That the aforesaid 40,000 shares of the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company Limited shall in pursuance of clause 8 of the aforesaid Conditional Agreement be allotted as and from the 2nd day of July, 1923, to members who are on the Register of Shareholders of this Company on the date of the confirmation by this Company of the Special Resolution confirming the said Agreement.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a FURTHER EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the same place on THURSDAY, the 24TH DAY of MAY, 1923, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Proceedings at the above-mentioned Meeting and of confirming, if thought fit, as Special Resolutions the above mentioned Resolutions.

Dated this 17th day of April, 1923.

By Order of the Board,
L. S. GREENHILL.
Secretary to the General Managers.

N.B.—The necessary steps will be taken to divide each of the existing 50,000 shares of $100 each constituting the present Capital of $5,000,000 of The Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company Limited into four fully paid-up shares of $25 each and thereafter to increase the said Capital from $5,000,000 to $10,000,000 by the creation of 200,000 new shares of $25 each. [735

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TIME-TABLE

WEEK DAYS.

7.00 a.m.,	7.10 a.m.			
7.30 a.m. to	8.00 a.m.	Every	15	minutes
8.00 „ „	11.00 „	„	10	„
11.00 „ „	12.30 p.m.	„	15	„
	12.40 „	Non stop		
	12.47 „	Stopping		
	12.57 „	Non stop		
	1.04 „	Stopping		
	1.13 „	Non stop		
	1.20 „	Stopping		
1.20 p.m. „	2.30 „	Every	10	„
2.30 „ „	3.30 „	„	15	„
3.30 „ „	7.10 „	„	10	„
	7.20 „	Non stop		
	7.27 „	Stopping		
	7.37 „	Non stop		
	7.44 „	Stopping		
	7.54 „	Non stop		
	8.01 „	Stopping		
	8.10 „	Stopping		

NIGHT CARS.

8.50 p.m., 9.00 p.m., 9.20 p.m.
9.30 p.m. to 11.00 p.m. Every 30 minutes
11.15 p.m., 11.30 p.m., 11.45 p.m.

SATURDAYS.

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7.30 a.m. to	9.30 a.m.	Every	15	minutes
9.30 „ „	11.00 „	„	10	„
11.15 „ „	12.00 noon	„	15	„
12.00 noon „	1.00 p.m.	„	10	„
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2.30 „ „	4.30 „	„	10	„
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HONGKONG, APRIL 19TH, 1923.

GREAT BRITAIN'S BUDGET.

THE Budget statement, of which a lengthy summary was given in the cables yesterday, must give great satisfaction to British people everywhere, because in a time of unexampled financial strain and difficulty it is clearly revealed that Britain is in no danger of losing her old financial standing in the world. In the first place the Budget statement is a record of wonderful accomplishments, seeing that in four years the external debt has been reduced by no less than 209 million sterling and the internal debt by a slightly larger sum, while at the same time enormous sums have had to be raised to meet current expenditures in connection with responsibilities arising out of the war. No other country is able to show any comparision with such a financial effort. The British people during and since the war cheerfully carried a weight of taxation such as is borne by no other country in the world. It must, therefore, be with a sense of relief that they have read of the reductions which the CHANCELLOR has now found it in his power to propose—reductions involving a sacrifice of revenue amounting to no less than £47,000,000 in the next twelve months. The CHANCELLOR was probably not surprised to find the Labour Party kicking against the reduction of the income tax by 6d. in the £. Incidentally, in this connection it is interesting to cast our minds back a few years to recall the popular interest in pre-war days in speculations regarding a possible increase, or reduction, of a mere penny in the £ when the income tax stood at half its present figure. A reduction of 6d. at one stroke would have surprised the nation out of its wits. The Labour Party evidently has not ceased to regard the income tax as surplus wealth, and so consider that in reducing the income tax the Government is favouring the rich at the expense of the poor. It is interesting to see that Mr. ASQUITH has joined issue with his Labour friends on this subject by denying that it is a class question and declaring that even four shillings in the £ would be a bad and pernicious form of capital levy. As Mr. ASQUITH put it, such a tax dries up the fertilising field of industry and employment. Any student of political economy ought to be able to recognise that there is nothing in the whole gamut of the Budget proposals which can be counted upon to have such an ameliorating effect as the substantial reduction in the income tax on the unemployment problem on which the attention of the Labour Party is naturally concentrated. This £26,000,000 which the Government sacrifices in income tax will certainly have a far more beneficial effect on the labour market than the sacrifice of £13,000,000 on beer, or the sacrifice which is being demanded, but is not yet conceded; on sugar. The CHANCELLOR'S stand against the postponement of debt reduction is sound finance and cannot fail to create a good impression abroad, as being an evidence of the country's financial strength. It is claimed by the CHANCELLOR that he has gone to the utmost limit to relieve the taxpayer without impairing the credit of the nation. In reducing the income tax by sixpence, halving the corporation tax, making certain reductions in postal and telephone charges, taking a penny off the beer duty, abolishing the cider duty, and reducing the duty on sweetened table waters, the CHANCELLOR has certainly far exceeded expectations. No new source of taxation has been tapped. All sources, indeed, have been so thoroughly explored in the last six or seven years that there are apparently none now left for attention, save betting, and the CHANCELLOR confessed that a tax on betting had "considerably attracted him," but not having had time to thoroughly investigate the proposal he proposes to refer it to a Select Committee. We shall probably hear the decision a year hence, when the next Budget is presented. Unquestionably a very large revenue could be obtained if the vast sums which annually change hands through the medium of "turf commission agents" were taxed, and we do not suppose a Select Committee would experience much difficulty in weaving an all-embracing net. But a great moral principle is involved in the matter, and on this the decision must ultimately be taken by the Cabinet and the two Houses of Parliament. There would certainly be a great outcry, in religious circles, if the Select Committee should recommend the taxation of betting, but every Chancellor of the Exchequer during the past seven very difficult years must have coveted the millions of pounds sterling that are lost to a Treasury through this legal evasion of the "entertainment tax."

Mrs. R. Rodenfuser, wife of the Agent of the Messageries Maritimes left by the *Armand Behic* yesterday for France.

The railway stock commandeered on the Chinese section of the railway was for the purpose of conveying General Liu Chen Huen's troops from Sheklung to Canton.

Wen Tsao Ying, Superintendent of the Locomotives Department of the Canton-Hankow Railway, Kwangtung section, has been arrested on charges which have not been disclosed.

Detective Sergeant Andrew, seized one Luger revolver and 800 rounds of ammunition on board the *President Jefferson* yesterday. The arms were found under a bed, but the owner has not been discovered.

Mr. L. di Luca, Staff-Secretary at the Inspectorate-General of Customs is leaving Peking on one year's leave. Mr. R. H. R. Wade has arrived in Peking, from Tientsin to take over the duties of Mr. di Luca.

A Chinese woman living in a house at Hollywood Road was taken to the Government Civil Hospital on Tuesday by other tenants of the house, suffering from opium poisoning. She is believed to have eaten the opium with a view to suicide. She died later in the day.

The Rev. M. W. Shewell, C.F., and Mrs. Shewell, left for home yesterday by the P. & O. steamer *Nankin*. The passenger list also includes the names of Commander G. W. Mathew, Lt.-Commander W. T. L. Gilchrist, Lt.-Commander V. V. Alleyne and Lt. A. S. Lindsell.

It is reported that the Japanese wireless station at Hankow has been entirely demolished, and the operators have left for Japan.

Mr. H. E. Arnhold has been elected Chairman of the Shanghai General Chamber of Commerce for the ensuing year and Mr. C. C. Humphreys, Vice-Chairman.

There were two new cases of smallpox in the Colony on Tuesday, one of which was a French case. The other two were both Chinese from Old and New Kowloon. There was also a Chinese case of plague in Victoria, one British case of diphtheria, and one Chinese case of cerebro-spinal fever.

Among residents departing for England to-day by the *Empress of Russia* are Mr. W. E. Roberts, General Manager of the Hongkong Tramway Co., and Mr. E. J. Chapman, senior partner of the firm Messrs. Linstead and Davis. Mr. S. H. Dutton is leaving on a short holiday in North China.

M. de Freitas, the Portuguese Minister and Doyen of the Diplomatic body at Peking, although anxious to leave Peking for a holiday, has been requested by his Government to remain at his post if possible, till a general settlement between China and the Powers is attained. It is believed that this will mean that he will stay in Peking till the Special Conference is over, which is expected to be held in September this year.

The two blocks of buildings, Knutsford Terrace and Canton Villas comprising nineteen houses in all, occupying an approximate area of 174,000 square feet, sold sometime ago by the Hongkong Land Investment Company to a Chinese syndicate, have again changed hands at an enhanced figure. The latest price is said to be a million dollars.

Mr. A. H. Harris, who has spent forty years in the service of the Chinese Maritime Customs Administration and has recently been the Commissioner of Customs at Canton, is leaving for Home to-day by the *Empress of Russia*, on leave preliminary to his retirement from the service. Mr. Harris has been stationed, of course, in many ports of China during his long service with the Administration, and leaves behind him a very wide circle of friends, Chinese as well as European, who will wish him all the happiness to which a man may look forward in his retirement after so long a period of service abroad.

THE KING'S BIRTHDAY.

The Colonial Secretary informs us that His Majesty the King's Birthday will be celebrated on Saturday, June 2nd, owing to June 3rd being a Sunday.

CORRESPONDENCE.

MAY ROAD RESIDENTS AND THE PEAK TRAM.

[TO THE EDITOR OF "THE HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

SIR,—While congratulating the Peak Tram Co. on the new arrangement under which six trams are run in the time previously taken by five, owing to the introduction of three alternate through cars, I should like to draw attention to the awkward position of residents on May Road level.

This is about half way up, being a considerable distance above Bowen Road, and it is difficult, therefore, to get chairs to undertake the journey, which, in any case, would take a very long time.

Under the new arrangements Peakites can make use of either through or stopping trams, while May Road people are dependent on stopping trams only, and, therefore, if crowded out of one, cannot take the next, but must wait for the one after that—with a possibility of being crowded out again under the present "free fight" system, or rather lack of system.

It is obvious, therefore, that the "through" trams should stop at May Road, or, if this would seriously disorganise the time schedule, May Road residents should have preferential treatment on the stopping cars, by reservation of seats.

The platform ticket system seems very practical, and can be put into effect at no more cost than the price of a box of poker chips.—Yours truly,

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Hongkong, April 18th, 1923.

CABLES.

LATEST CABLES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CHESTER CONCESSION IN TURKEY.

EX-AMERICAN AMBASSADOR PROTESTS.

NEW YORK, April 17th.

Ex-Ambassador James Gerard, has publicly protested against the Chester concession, insofar that it infringes the rights of Armenia under the Treaty of Sevres. He declares that the contract with Turkey in 1913, on which the concessions are based, called for the construction of railways and the exploitation of mineral resources in the Armenian provinces, which are unfulfilled.

EARLIER CABLES.

FRENCH OBJECTIONS UNDER DISCUSSION.

NEW YORK, April 17th.

Admiral Chester, dealing with the French objections to the Chester concession, said the French declaration of war against Turkey had automatically scrapped any concession between the two nations.

PARIS, April 17th.

The *Journal Des Debats* understands that the French are not protesting to America, but are expressing the hope that Washington will abide by its established policy, namely that the open door does not concern concessions prior to 1914, and will support the French standpoint in any discussions which the concessions might raise.

WASHINGTON, April 17th.

Hitherto there have been only diplomatic discussions of a purely preliminary nature between the United States and France as regards the Chester concession. It is semi-officially stated that the United States awaits further particulars of the concession, after which, if satisfied as to its validity, it will support it.

LATEST CABLES.

THE RUHR.

GERMAN RHINELAND COMMISSIONER EXPELLED.

BERLIN, April 17th.

On the ground this his office is prejudicial to the authority of the Inter-Allied High Commission, the latter has expelled Prince Hatzfeld Wieddenburg, German Commissioner in the Rhineland, notwithstanding the Prince's protest that the appointment was made by the Ambassadors' Conference.

BRUSSELS, April 17th.

A supposed attempt on the life of the Minister of War, M. Deveze, when travelling between Herbesthal and Aix-la-Chapelle, by the laying of a bomb on the rail back, has led to the Rhineland High Commission expelling the German railway staff.

IRISH REBELLION.

A NOTABLE CAPTURE.

LONDON, April 17th.

The well-known Irregular, Dan Breen, has been captured in a dug-out near Limerick.

The capture of Dan Breen is notable, in view of his ingenuity in evading the relentless pursuit firstly, of the British Authorities during the Anglo-Irish war, when a reward of £10,000,000 was offered for his capture; and secondly, the Free State forces, who nearly captured him along with Liam Lynch last week.

The Free State forces yesterday surprised Breen in a dugout. He was only partly dressed, and was secured before he was able to resist.

EARLIER CABLES.

FURTHER CAPTURES OF IRREGULAR LEADERS.

LONDON, April 17th.

It is officially announced in Cork that troops have arrested, near Mount Melleray, Barrett and Sean Gaynor, the commanders of the west division of the Irregulars.

LATEST CABLES.

BUDGET DEBATE.

SUGAR THE CENTRAL POINT OF DISCUSSION.

LONDON, April 17th.

Two ex-chancellors, Mr. Asquith and Sir R. Horne successively spoke on the resumed Budget debate in the House of Commons. Both, in the main, approved of Mr. Baldwin's proposals.

It is obvious that the claims for relief for sugar will become the central point of the controversy.

Mr. Asquith has joined issue with the Labour members as regards the Income Tax, declaring that even four shillings in the pound is a bad and pernicious form of capital levy, and that the tax has dried up the stream fertilising the whole field of industry and employment. He denied that it was a class question.

COST OF LIVING.

ANOTHER SLIGHT DECLINE.

LONDON, April 17th.

The Labour Ministry statistics show that the cost of living on March 31st was seventy-four per cent. above pre-war cost, but is the lowest since April, 1917, and compares favourably with 76.6 on February 2nd.

U.S. IMMIGRATION ACT.

A DIFFERENCE OF OPINION.

WASHINGTON, April 17th.

It is understood that President Harding shares Mr. Gary's views, cabled yesterday, about the prejudicial effects of the Immigration Law.

The Secretary of Labour, Mr. Davis, has reported that a shortage of labour already exists, and that he will be preparing a new immigration bill

The Chairman of the House of Representatives Immigration Committee defends the Act, and declares that the big corporations are attacking it because they want cheap labour.

OCCUPATION COSTS.

THE QUESTION OF AMERICA'S QUOTA.

WASHINGTON, April 17th.

The American request, made to the Allies in Paris, for priority of payments as regards the cost of the army of occupation, is interpreted here as only meaning that the United States shall receive the first payments from the annual quotas fixed between the Allies for distribution from German reparations.

It is not believed that America asks for priority of payment for the full amount of American claims.

WIRELESS CONTROL FOR AEROPLANES.

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL DEMONSTRATION.

PARIS, April 17th.

A successful experiment with a wirelessly controlled aeroplane has been carried out at Villesauvage aerodrome. The aeroplane rose and flew over the aerodrome, then turned and landed, in response to pressure on buttons.

U.S. NATURAL WEALTH.

RESTRICTION UPON FOREIGN PARTICIPATION.

LONDON, April 17th.

In an attempt to lift the restrictions upon foreign participation in the natural wealth of the United States, the Roxana Petroleum Corporation, which is controlled by Anglo-Dutch interests, has appealed against the decision debarring it from holding leases in the Indian oil lands.

WHITE AUSTRALIA.

SIR MATTHEW NATHAN AND JAPANESE IMMIGRATION.

BRISBAN, April 17th.

The Governor, Sir Matthew Nathan, in a speech at Ipswich referred to the need for white immigration, as there was a real danger of the Japanese spreading in Australia.

HOME FOOTBALL.

LEAGUE RESULTS.

LONDON, April 17th.

Following are the results of Saturday's postponed matches:—

Sheffield United...	0	Everton	1
Newcastle.....	1	Bolton	0

LATEST CABLES.

INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES.

BRITISH POTTERY TROUBLE SETTLED.

LONDON, April 17th.

The dispute in the pottery trades, which threatened to end in a general lockout on Saturday, was settled yesterday by the workers agreeing to a ten per cent. reduction.

FRENCH TEXTILE STRIKE BECOMES GENERAL.

LILLE, April 17th.

The Textile strike has become general.

SEAMEN'S DISPUTE.

SEAMEN'S OPPOSITION COLLAPSES.

HULL, April 17th.

The seamen's opposition to the reduced national rates of pay has been broken. The *Aleppo* has obtained a full crew.

EARLIER CABLES.

CREWS SUMMONED AT SOUTHAMPTON.

LONDON, April 17th.

One hundred and thirty-two members of the crews of the *Windsor Castle* and *Almanzora*, have been summoned at Southampton for unlawfully combining to impede the progress of the voyage of the vessels. The case has been adjourned to April 25th.

The Ellerman liner *Aleppo* has been unable to obtain a crew at Hull, where the seamen persist in their refusal to accept the reduced national rates of pay.

A "WONDERFUL INVENTION."

LEADS TO A WONDERFUL FRAUD.

LONDON, April 17th.

The Grand Duchess Xenia Alexandrovna of Russia, a sister of the late Tsar, and a niece of Queen Alexandra, has been awarded £10,000 damages in Mr. Justice Darling's court against Albert Frederick Calvert and Maurice Sternbach, the latter of whom had previously been deported from England, who are alleged by a conspiracy to have obtained that amount from her. The Grand Duchess gave evidence that she was induced to part with her jewels in order to provide money for a wonderful invention which was to revolutionise the world and provide enormous wealth.

BRITISH AGRICULTURE.

GOVERNMENT'S PROPOSALS OUTLINED.

LONDON, April 17th.

The Minister of Agriculture, interviewed, outlined the Government's proposals for dealing with agriculture. He announced that the Government would introduce a Bill in the present session for reducing the assessment on agricultural land from half to a quarter. The exchequer would grant two and three-quarter millions in England and Wales for making up the difference, which Sir R. A. Sanders described as the biggest concession given to agriculture for a generation. The Goverment further proposed to hand over between one and a quarter and a half millions from the surplus road fund, to relieve rates for the upkeep of rural roads.

BAVARIAN PROBLEMS.

GOVERNMENT AND THE FASCISTI.

MUNICH, April 17th.

A trial of strength is impending in Bavaria as a result of the Government's decision to summon Hitler, leader of the Bavarian Fascisti, for inciting his supporters to oppose Republican institutions. Hitler declares that he does not intend to obey the summons. The attitude of the Bavarian police is doubtful. The Government has also proceeded against two editors of Nationalist papers.

ITALIAN POLITICS.

MINISTER AND UNDER SECRETARYS RESIGN.

ROME, April 17th.

Minister Cabazzoni and three under secretaries of state, Signors Vessallo, Milani and Gronchi, all belonging to the popular party, have resigned at a meeting of Ministers convoked by Signor Mussolini, who criticised the attitude of the recent congress of the popular party at Turin. Signor Mussilini reserved his decision as regards acceptance of the resignations.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

HONGKONG BROTHELS.

QUESTION IN HOUSE OF COMMONS

LONDON, April 17th.

In the House of Commons, in reply to a question by Lord H. Cavendish Bentinck regarding the precautions taken to verify the ages of girls entering Hongkong brothels, Mr. Ormsby Gore quoted the Governor's report and added that he would consult the Governor regarding the evidence which the girl herself took to the brothel-keepers in order to show that the Secretary for Chinese Affairs had given her permission to enter the brothel.

OPIUM MONOPOLY

PEKING CABINET CONSIDERING QUESTION

PEKING, April 17th.

It is reported from an unofficial, but apparently reliable Chinese source, that the Minister of Finance about three weeks ago proposed an opium monopoly to the Cabinet, and the Cabinet agreed.

This informant states that the Cabinet has instructed the Finance Minister to draw up a more detailed proposal, and then re-submit the matter to the Cabinet, and, in the meanwhile, to sound the Powers and find out whether there would be strong opposition to a monopoly. A member of Parliament, Wang Wen Pu interpellated the Government yesterday, protesting against the opium monopoly, and stating that it would mean giving up the policy of the last eighteen years.

THE COLTMAN CASE.

AMERICA STILL PRESSING FOR A SETTLEMENT.

PEKING, April 17th.

It is understood that America is still pressing for a settlement of the Coltman case, but there has been little progress therein.

The chief point still outstanding is the dismissal of General Chang Hsi Yuan's Chief-of-Staff, to which General Chang still firmly refuses to agree. General Chang Hsi Yuan has dismissed him from the post of Chief-of-Staff, but still keeps him in an important post in his office. This does not satisfy America, which demands that he should be dismissed from the army, and then tried by the courts.

It is stated further progress is not likely till Mr. Alfred Sze arrives at Washington, when he will take up negotiations with America.

A DIVORCE CASE FROM BORNEO.

LONDON, April 17th.

Arthur Bruce Charles Francis, a former resident of British North Borneo, has been granted a decree nisi in the Divorce Court on the ground of his wife's adultery with John Warren Norman, formerly working under the petitioner in North Borneo.

BANDITS NEAR KALGAN.

PEKING, April 17th.

It is reported from Kalgan under date of the 12th inst. that bandits held up and robbed two motor-cars containing two Russian drivers and eleven Chinese passengers. The bandits stopped the cars at the bottom of the hill, where they had to slow up. The booty was most valuable, one consignment of furs alone being worth $10,000. The drivers, on arrival at Kalgan, reported the outrage at Tu Tung's yamen, but were informed that they should have made the report to another official 35 miles north of Kalgan.

(*Continued on next Column.*)

ARGENTINE COLD STORAGE.

BUENOS, AIRES, April 17th.

The Chamber has passed a Bill authorising the Government to expend ten million piastres in order to establish cold storage works at Buenos Aires under the Ministry of Agriculture.

OBITUARY.

MR. LAURENCE GINNELL.

NEW YORK, April 17th.

The death has occurred of Mr. Laurence Ginnell. He had concluded a stormy career as the self-described envoy of the De Valera fraction to America.

BISHOP D. S. TUTTLE.

ST. LOUIS, April 17th.

The death is announced of Bishop D. S. Tuttle, presiding bishop of the Episcopal Church in the United States.

ASIATICS IN ENGLAND.

NECESSITY FOR STANDARDISATION OF HOMES.

LONDON, April 17th.

Presiding at a meeting of the Strangers' Home for Asiatics, at Limehouse, Earl Winterton commented on its admirable work, stating that nearly one thousand Indians had been cared for in the past year. He said that on Viscount Peel's direction, he, along with Sir Cyril Cobb, Lord Ednam, and Captain Seagrave, were inspecting establishments at London and other seaports where Asiatic seamen were temporarily lodged. They had unanimously concluded that the only satisfactory place of the kind was this home, and they had decided that there was an almost imperative need to standardise the conditions under which Asiatic seamen were received and provided for upon arriving in English ports.

ASIATIC PROBLEM IN SOUTH AFRICA.

ASSEMBLY DEBATE ADJOURNED INDEFINITELY.

CAPETOWN, April 17th.

The Assembly debated the motion of the ministerialist, Mr. McKeurtan, urging the segregation of Asiatics, who said that, in his opinion only by this means could Indians obtain citizen rights.

The Labour member, Mr. Strachan, moved an amendment providing equal pay for equal work, and demanding a more vigorous repatriation policy.

Mr. Duncan, Minister of the Interior, emphasised the impossibility of dealing with such a delicate problem without considering outside interests. He declared that other Asiatics besides Indians were watching the problem, and pointed out that the majority of Indians in South Africa were born there, and cannot be emigrated wholesale. He doubted whether segregation in urban areas would solve the problem, but proposed to introduce a measure containing residential, trading, and segregation clauses, next session.

The debate was adjourned, and it is not likely it will be resumed.

MOSCOW-VLADIVOSTOCK TELEGRAPH RESTORED.

Moscow, April 17th.

Telegraphic Communication between Moscow and Vladivostock has been restored.

GOLF BY POST.

HOPE FOR ALL.

[FROM "THE TIMES."]

Every thoughtful student of advertisements must have been struck by the enormous number of persons who are anxious to help him on his path by correspondence. There is hardly anything that he cannot learn by this means, whether it be how to give up smoking, play the piano, or beguile an editor. But there is one singular omission. No one is prepared to teach him epistolarily how to play golf.

I am not a business man, but I cannot help thinking that here is a real opening for talent not blessed with capital. A brief but poignantly-worded manifesto, headed, "What is your trouble? Are you a slicer?"—and ending with 12 stamps to be sent in strict confidence—would, in my belief, be the first step on the road to fortune.

The business would grow steadily in volume. To begin with, the advertiser would fill four sides of notepaper with his own handwriting in answer to some nerve-racked socketer. With his first earnings he would engage a boy; then he would buy a typewriter, and in less than no time he would find himself surrounded by a bevy of fluffy-haired young ladies in dashing blouses, clicking away for dear life. This is demonstrably no idle dream. Let it be granted that for the moment it matters very little what you tell any golfing sufferer, so long as you tell it him with a good bedside manner. If he believes in you he will for at least one round hit the ball. Moreover, he will forget that the very same thing happened when he was last given an infallible cure. At the end of that one round he will sit down and write you a testimonial, saying that slicing for a long time he bore, professionals were in vain, but now he feels that he will never slice any more as long as he lives, and he has recommended you to all his afflicted friends. His subsequent letter reproaching you with his relapse you will not have time to answer, being by that time knee-deep in the sclaffings and toppings of his friends' friends. And so your business will increase "like them sums in the 'rithmetic book 'bout the nails in the horses' shoes, Sammy."

Soon you will have quantities of printed and numbered slips, relating to every known golfing disease, to be sent out automatically by the staff. Only now and again will the master's "personal supervision" be required. "What am I to say to this gentleman, Sir?" one of your young ladies will ask you. "He says he is always hooking, although he does not shut his club face." "Dear me, Miss Smith," you will answer rather testily, "you ought to know that by this time. B.16, of course. Not too tight with the right hand and don't hit so hard."

THE WAYS OF SMUGGLERS.

HOW THEY ARE DEFEATING MODERN LAWS.

We have always had a rather soft place in our hearts for pirates and smugglers, if they were not mean or too bloodthirsty, says the *Daily Telegraph*.

Did not Sir James Thursfield make a scholarly defence of Paul Jones when it was the custom to call that hero of the Americans "a pirate" and to condemn him with bell and book; and have we not most of us been moved to admiration by the restraint which Paul Jones observed when he encountered a ship laden with passengers and by the generosity which he could also exhibit on occasion? Even Avery and his companions, thought most of them came to the gallows, had sympathisers because they shed no blood and showed themselves to be somewhat pleasant rogues. It was the sneaking popularity which pirates enjoyed so long as they showed themselves at heart good fellows which rendered their supression so difficult. What boy does not love reading of Captain Kidd or of Bartholomew Roberts, their fathers winking at, if not encouraging them in their excursions into such by-ways of literature?

SMUGGLING IN GERMANY.

As with pirates, so with smugglers. Authority was greatly embarassed in the old days to High Protection by men who revealed in their acts that they were sportsmen, and could sometimes be generous to the point of foolhardiness, even at the risk of their freedom, if not of their lives. It is small wonder that a peer, in the person of Lord Teignmouth, who was for many years a Coastguard officer, should have been moved to write, with a measure of ill-concealed admiration, of Smuggling Days and Smuggling Ways. For a good many smugglers whom the preventive men hunted down were very lovable men, well liked by their neighbours. Not infrequently, indeed, they owed their escape from capture to the kindly aid of men and women who knew them best, and not always men and women of their own class either.

In this country smuggling has for all practical purposes long been dead; but in Germany it has been revived since the war and is being carried out on the grand scale, as our special correspondent in Berlin indicated a day or two ago. Of course, the temptation on the other side of the North Sea has been very great, for the Government at Berlin has erected barriers against exportation as well as against importation. Whether it has been well advised in the course which it has taken is beside the point. We are concerned only with the result, which is the growth of a brisk contraband trade. There is nothing picturesque about this latter day smuggling: but it is conducted with recourse to every conceivable stratagem and at the expense, of course, of the general body of Germans. Certain shopkeepers, for their own ends, are encouraging foreign visitors to evade the existing law. We are told that "if you buy one of the fine trunks for which a certain firm in Berlin is justly famous, it is delivered to you with a few labels of London or Paris hotels prominently displayed on it, and with a few abrasions simulating long usage." Thus is the law defeated.

CUSTOMS VIGILANCE.

But the smuggling business, as has been revealed, is being conducted on a far bigger scale than such an incident might suggest. All kinds of wares are being got out of the country by various subterfuges, and even trains loaded with goods forbidden for export are "disappearing." It looks as though much of the ingenuity which the Germans employed during the great war in the effort, usually with poor success, to defeat our blockade, is now being used domestically.

The secret of dealing with smuggling, which we alone among the nations discovered years ago, is to make it poor business. In this country it is not as a rule worth the risk involved and the risk is no small one owing to the vigilance of our Customs officials and the severity of the punishment which is inflicted on those who are "found out."

WORLD THEATRE.

A FARNUM THRILL.

The William Farnum Company was given some thrilling moments in San Francisco during the making of the new William Fox picture. In the "Scuttlers," which is being shown at the World Theatre up to Saturday next, Mr. Farnum plays a detective from Lloyds of London. He allows himself to be Shanghaied as a common sailor. The first mate orders him to unfurl the sails, and when he is at the top of the mast, having an intense dislike for him, orders the sailors to loosen the yard. The result, in the making of this scene was that Mr. Farnum, as Jim Landers, flapped about on the yard very much as a loose coat sleeve would flap out of a racing automobile. For a few minutes every one's breath is held. Of course, Mr. Farnum knew his strength, but the watching crowd could not be sure. Then the Captain's daughter, who was not in sympathy with the plans of the mate, shouted an order to square the yard, and Farnum climbed down to safety. Many other thrilling scenes are shown in this marvellous picture. "The Scuttlers" is written by Clyde C. Westover, a well-known screen author, and J. Gordon Edwards directed the picture. It is a beautiful film worth seeing.

Laying the foundation-stone of a "House of Velasquez" and a National Fine Art School in Madrid, last month, King Alfonso declared: "I am not a deserter. I remain at my post, and will die there if necessary. A King of Spain can do no such thing as has been imputed to me." His Majesty was given a great ovation.

NAPIER JOHNSTONE'S

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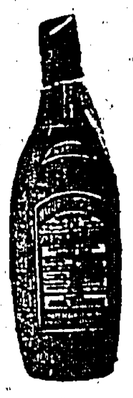
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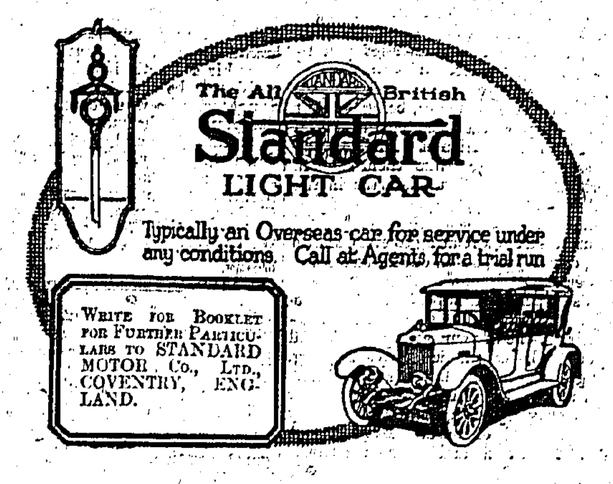
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DIVORCE CASE REPORTS.

LORD CHANCELLOR'S SUGGESTIONS.

An official report was issued on March 6th of the deputation which waited upon the Lord Chancellor on Monday in reference to the reporting of divorce cases. The official report states that: "The Lord Chancellor, who was accompanied by Mr. Bridgeman and Sir Archibald Bodkin, received a deputation of members of Parliament upon the question of the publication in the Press of full reports of divorce and similar cases. The deputation attended to press the views stated in a letter to the Press of February 20th from members of the House of Commons, to which members of all parties were signatories.

"Sir Evelyn Cecil, in introducing the deputation, pointed out that the extent of the evil of reporting these proceedings was very widely admitted, that it lowered public morals and taste, that it depended on the discretion of the Press, and that certain remedies were possible apart from any action taken by the Public Prosecutor or any prosecution which might lie under common law. It was not so much specific indecent phrases which were objected to, but that the whole tone of the reports was often derogatory and revolting. He wondered sometimes whether the Press themselves could not get together and agree. Referring to possible remedies, Sir Evelyn mentioned the French law, where judgments only and names of parties are allowed to be published. No foreign nation allowed such publications as we do. The Royal Commission on divorce, 1912, suggested giving statutory power to judges to close the court or to order non-publication of certain evidence. They further advocated no publication till the end of the case; also the prohibition of pictures in relation to the case. Another suggestion from some Press quarters themselves was that a brief official report only should be published. He thought that there was so much agreement so widely spread in the country the evil needed a remedy, that with sufficient determination and courage the nettle could be grasped and some advance made.

"Sir Thomas Bennett added his testimony to the very wide feeling on the subject in the country, and the growing expression of opinion in favour of some action being taken. A petition had been presented with about a quarter of a million signatures, and these signatures had been given spontaneously.

"The Lord Chancellor said that there was no doubt as to the law, which was clearly laid down in particular by Sir Alexander Cockburn, and in the Law of Libel (Amendment) Act, 1888. As to the Director of Public Prosecutions, his duty acting under the instructions of the Attorney-General, was to take action on such matters as were brought to his notice where he thought that it was in the interests of the public that he should do so. But it would be most unfortunate for him to prosecute in any case in which it did not appear reasonably certain that conviction would follow, since failure might render any further action impossible for many years. The Lord Chancellor drew attention to the history of the attempts to embody the proposals of Lord Gorell's Commission in certain bills when they were passing through the House of Lords and when, on two separate occasions, the clause giving effect to those suggestions was opposed and withdrawn. In the Lord Chancellor's view, the best course for those interested to take was, in the first place, to confer with the newspaper proprietors and editors, and in the second to organise public opinion in favour of their views. For this purpose he suggested that they should bring the matter before the House of Commons either on a private member's motion or in the form of a private member's bill. He himself felt great sympathy with the objects at which they aimed.

"Mr. Bridgeman expressed his sympathy with the object which the deputation had in view, and emphasised the advantage of discussion in the House of Commons which would reveal the weight of public opinion which was behind this movement."

BISMARCK'S THREAT.

SUICIDE IF HIS SON MARRIED DIVORCEE.

That Bismarck, the Iron Chancellor, who played with men as if they had no more feeling than chess pawns, once threatened to commit suicide if his son Herbert made a marriage of which he disapproved, will be told in the memoirs of Prince zu Eulenburg, to be published shortly.

Herbert fell in love with the beautiful Princess Elizabeth Carolath, whose marriage was exceedingly unhappy.

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He forbade the marriage and threatened to kill himself if it took place. Herbert, torn between passion and filial duty, unburdened himself to Prince zu Eulenburg, who appears to have suggested that if he married the Princess, reconciliation with his father would be possible.

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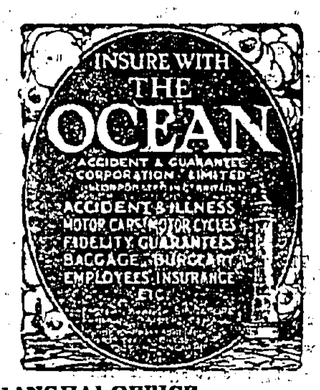


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LORD BALFOUR'S PHILOSOPHY.

DIVINE PURPOSE IN THE WORLD.

Earl Balfour last month concluded his course of Gifford lectures on natural theology at Glasgow University. In all Lord Balfour gave twenty lectures, which he explained will be amplified and published in book form. There was a record attendance, and at the close Principal Sir Donald Macalister expressed the gratitude of the University and the citizens to Lord Balfour, who, in acknowledging, said he doubted if any philosophic lecturer in the world had ever had so large, attentive, and faithful an audience as he had enjoyed.

At the outset of his final lecture Lord Balfour recalled that they had been discussing three great values, all vital to the highest life of mankind. These might be described as ethical values, which he prefarred to describe as love, æsthetic values or beauty, and cognitive values or truth.

Their main theme had been the third—namely, belief and truth. He had always said that if they wanted to maintain this value or that value the value must be considered in a theistic setting. We could not get the ethical value of beauty, and they could not maintain them in the world permanently at their highest level if we banished from that world the idea of design, of creation, of a God who is Himself the author and sustainer of these high values.

Lord Balfour said that however imperfect had been his survey of the boundless sea and however incompetent he had been to plumb its depths he thought he had gone far enough to show that the most certain of all facts was that there was yet no agreement among competent observers which enabled us to say "that in this unintelligible world there is at least one thing which we all understand—that is, the nature, the character, and the limits of our own being."

If they assumed the naturalistic view of the universe—that all rational results were produced by non-rational causes—he did not think they would deny they had got themselves into a system in which the premises and the conclusions and the causes and the effects absolutely refused to coalesce and harmonise.

"THE PURPOSELESS CLASH OF ATOMS."

How was it that the blind collision of molecules, atoms and subatoms in the remote past had issued, as a mere question of cause and effect, in the production of knowledge, of science, and of things of which we justly boasted? How from such beginnings could they expect such conclusions? Those who took the naturalistic view of knowledge must explain how unreason had produced reason; they must try to tell us, added Lord Balfour, amid applause, how this purposeless clash of atoms had as one of its accidental by products turned out beings so constituted that they could look back and discuss the utter insufficiency and inefficiency of their own pedigree. They must bring in at the beginning of the process and transfusing it from beginning to end, some form of reason, some element of purpose—"design," to use an old-fashioned and perhaps unjustly discredited word.

In some shape or other theism must be an indubitable portion of any system which claimed to get out of the blind causation of natural results. Not to mince matters, if they wanted to see the world in which we all believed and to hold the creed which we all accepted in its most natural form, they must assume guidance and inspiration from the beginning. (Cheers.)

Discussing the possibility of communion between spirit and spirit, Lord Balfour said he was inclined to think that as between human spirits there was more in it than could be fully expressed by the most elaborate system of external signals. They brought in the supreme spirit of God, and they did what, after all, every religion did—they assumed the possibility of this intercourse as between spirit and spirit.

In conclusion Lord Balfour said that while not dreaming of having propounded a new system of philosophy, if they held, as he held, that life was the result of this gradual Divine influence upon the course of human thought, they would look forward to truth being more and more clearly brought to light and they would feel convinced that there was nothing to fear from science, but that their great interest, so far as this world was concerned, was to press on science by every means in their power. The beliefs which we all held, which were the bonds uniting us and made the foundation of society possible, could only be considered as a rational system if it were treated in a theistic setting. (Cheers.)

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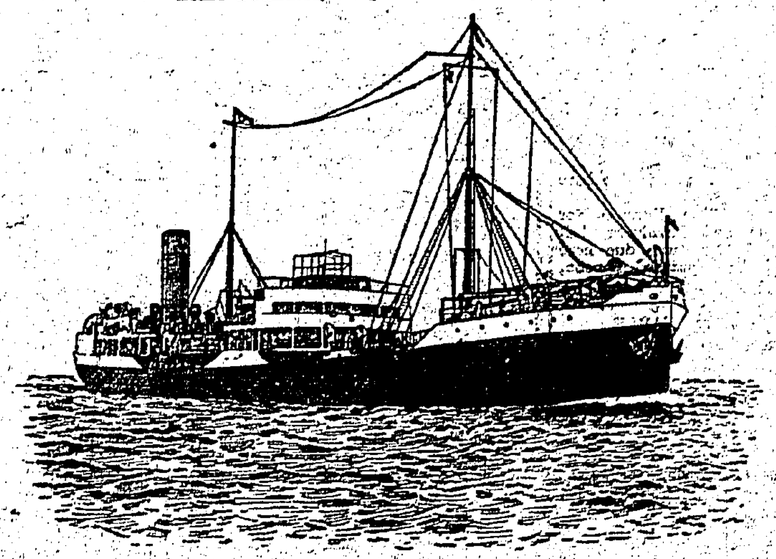
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HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From April 19th to 25th, 1928.

Days of Week.	Days of Month.	High Water. H'kong Standard Time.	Height.	Low Water. H'kong Standard Time.	Height.
		h m	ft. in.	h m	ft. in.
Thur.	19	m 1 32	6 5	m 4 38	2 9
		11 5 a	4 7	10 48 a	1 7
Fri.	20	m 1 58	6 5	m 5 1	3 3
				6 32 a	1 8
Satur	21	m 0 44	4 4	m 5 23	3 5
		m 11 51	6 5	7 28 a	2 0
Sun.	22	m 1 51	4 1	m 5 46	3 7
		0 15 a	6 4	8 23 a	2 0
Mon.	23	m 3 5	4 1	m 6 16	3 9
		1 14 a	6 2	9 43 a	2 1
Tues.	24	m 5 10	4 2	m 7 14	4 1
		2 36 a	6 1	11 0 a	1 9
Wed.	25	m 6 3	4 5	m 9 50	4 2
		4 10 a	6 0	11 57 a	1 8

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SHIPPING ITEMS.

JAPANESE ENGINEER DROWNED.

The Second Engineer of the s.s. *Fukusei Maru*, named V. Kasama, was drowned in the Taiwan Straits during the early hours of April 15th. According to the report made by the Captain of the vessel to the Harbour Master, the unfortunate man committed suicide by jumping over the side of the vessel.

The s.s. *Fukusei Maru* belongs to the M.B.K. Company.

BUOY ADRIFT.

The Captain of the s.s. *Wing Sang* has reported to the Harbour Master of Hongkong that during the voyage from Saigon to Hongkong the vessel passed a small floating object with links of chain attached. The object was about three or four feet in diameter and looked like a buoy. The object was sighted in Lat. 21.22 degrees North and Long. 113.32 East.

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LONDON, HUMBURG, ROTTERDAM, ANTWERP & MARS.	Amazon Maru	Jap.	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	On 11th May
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STRAITS & CALCUTTA	Kutsang	Brit.	Jardines, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	On 24th April, 3 p.m.
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HOIHOW & SINGAPORE	Cuinhua	Brit.	Butterfield & Swire	On 21st April, 10 a.m.
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Kalori Maru (N.Y.K.), due May 21st.
Myrmidon (Blue Funnel), due April 14th.
Ningchow (Blue Funnel), due April 21st.
Protesilaus (Blue Funnel), due to-day, p.m.
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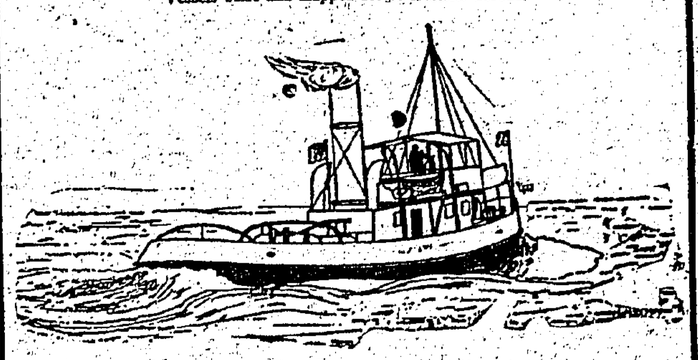
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"KIDDERPORE	5,334	9th May	Singapore, Penang & Bombay.
"KASHGAR"	9,000	16th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"SOUDAN"	6,700	16th May	S'pore., Penang, Colombo & Bombay
"NYANZA"	7,000	30th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"SARDINIA"	6,580	13th June	do.
"DELTA"	8,097	27th June	do.
"SICILIA"	6,813	28th June	S'pore., Penang, Colombo & Bombay
"MALWA"	10,941	11th July	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"DEVANHA"	8,093	25th July	do.
"SOUDAN"	6,686	26th July	S'pore., Penang, Colombo & Bombay
"KHIVA"	9,017	8th Aug.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"KASHMIR"	8,241	22nd Aug.	do.

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"TAKADA"	6,949	21st Apr.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TORILLA"	5,205	13th May	do.

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"SICILIA"	6,705	21st Apr.	Shanghai only.
"NYANZA"	7,023	24th Apr., Noon	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"SARDINIA"	6,584	6th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"EASTERN"	4,600	8th May	Japan Direct.

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For	Steamer	To Sail
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"SUIYANG" ...	On 20th Apr., 10 a.m.
HAIPHONG	"TIENTSIN" ...	On 20th Apr., 10 a.m.
SWATOW, AMOY & SHANGHAI ...	"KIUNGCHOW"	On 20th Apr., 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"SINKIANG" ...	On 21st Apr., 10 a.m.
HOIHOW & SINGAPORE	"CHINHUA" ...	On 21st Apr., 10 a.m.
BALIK PAPAN & BATAVIA ...	"TAIKOOWANYI"	On 21st Apr., Noon.
HOIHOW, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG ...	"YUNNAN" ...	On 22nd Apr., 10 a.m.
SWATOW & SINGAPORE ...	"KINGYUAN" ...	On 22nd Apr., Noon.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & PUKOW ...	"LIANGCHOW"	On 22nd Apr., 4 p.m.
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From	Per	Due
Japan	*Yoshino Maru* ...	19th inst.
Australia & Manila	*Victoria*	19th inst.
Haiphong	*Sicilia*	20th inst.
Shanghai	*Liangchow* ...	20th inst.
Shanghai	*Szechuen* ...	22nd inst.
Europe via Suez (Letters & Papers, London, 22nd Mar & Parcels, 14th Mar.)	*Nyanza*	23rd inst.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date.	
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	*Hozui Maru* ...	Thursday,	19th, 8.30 A.M.
Saigon	*Hwah Kun* ...		8.30 A.M.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central & South America, & EUROPE via VANCOUVER, B.C. —due Vancouver, 7th May	*Empr. of Russia*	Registration Letters	9.15 A.M. 10.00 A.M.
Straits, Bangkok and Egypt	*Lycaon* ...		10.00 A.M.
Shanghai	*Automedon* ...		2.00 P.M.
Philippine Islands	*Pres. Jefferson*		3.30 P.M.
Swatow	*Hydrangea* ...		3.30 P.M.
Shanghai and Japan	*Namsang*		5.00 P.M.
Hoihow	*Leesang*	Friday	20th, 8.30 A.M.
Haiphong	*Tientsin*		8.30 A.M.
Philippine Islands, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 1st May	*Yoshino Maru* ...	Registration Letters	8.45 A.M. 9.30 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	*Taifoong*		11.00 A.M.
Philippine Islands	*Yuensang*		2.00 P.M.
Swatow and Amoy	*Hungchow* ...		3.00 P.M.
Shanghai	*Sinkiang*	Saturday	21st, 8.30 A.M.
Hoihow	*Chinhua*		8.30 A.M.
Java via Batavia	*Tjibodas*		11.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Keelung	*Anshun Maru* ...	Sunday,	2nd 9.00 A.M.
Shanghai and Japan	*Haruna Maru* ...	Tuesday	24th, 10.30 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	*Haisang*		Noon
andakan	*Hinsang*		1.00 P.M.
Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius; L. Marques, South Africa, India via D'kodi, Egypt & EUROPE via MARSEILLES— due Marseilles, 26th May.	*Mishima Maru*	Wednesday, Registration Letters	25th, 8.45 A.M. 9.30 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	*Haihong*	Friday,	27th, Noon
Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, South Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Aden, Egypt & Europe via MARSEILLES—due Marseilles, 2nd June	*Karmala* ...	MAY Parcels Wednesday, Registration Letters...	1st, 5.00 P.M. 2nd, 9.00 A.M. 9.00 A.M.

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Bank Bill, on demand	2/3 15/16
Bank Bill, at 30 days' sight	—
Banks Bills, at 4 months' sight	2/4 1/2
Credits, at 4 months' sight	2/4 13/16
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight	2/4 15/16
On Paris.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	82 1/2
Credits, 4 months' sight	87 5
On New York.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	54 1/2
Credits, at 60 days' sight	55 1/8
On Bombay.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	—
Bank Bills, on demand	173
On Calcutta.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	—
Bank Bills, on demand	173
On Shanghai.—	
Bank Bills, at sight	nom.
Private, 30 days' sight	—
On Yokohama.—On demand	111 1/2
On Manila.—On demand	108 1/2
On Singapore.—On demand	99
On Batavia.—On demand	139
On Haiphong.—On demand	nom.
On Saigon.—On demand	—
On Bangkok.—On demand	80
Sovereigns, Bank's Buying rate	$ 8.38
Gold Leaf, 100 fine, per tael	47
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A. G. STEPHEN,
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Hongkong, 14th November, 1922. [28

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Hongkong, March 27th, 1923. [31

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THUYEN FEI,
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Hongkong, March 22nd, 1923. [30

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T. NISHIYAMA,
Manager
19th March, 1923. [39

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For 3 month at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum
For 6 month at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum
For 12 month at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum
KAN TONG FOO,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, February 26th, 1923. [24

THE BANK OF TAIWAN, Limited.
(TAIWAN GINKO).
Incorporated by Special Imperial Charter 1899.

Capital Subscribed Yen 60,000,000
Capital (Paid-up) ,, 52,500,000
Reserve Funds ,, 13,129,000

HEAD OFFICE:—TAIHOKU, FORMOSA

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S. KONDOH
Manager.
HONGKONG BRANCH,
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Hongkong, 7th September, 1923

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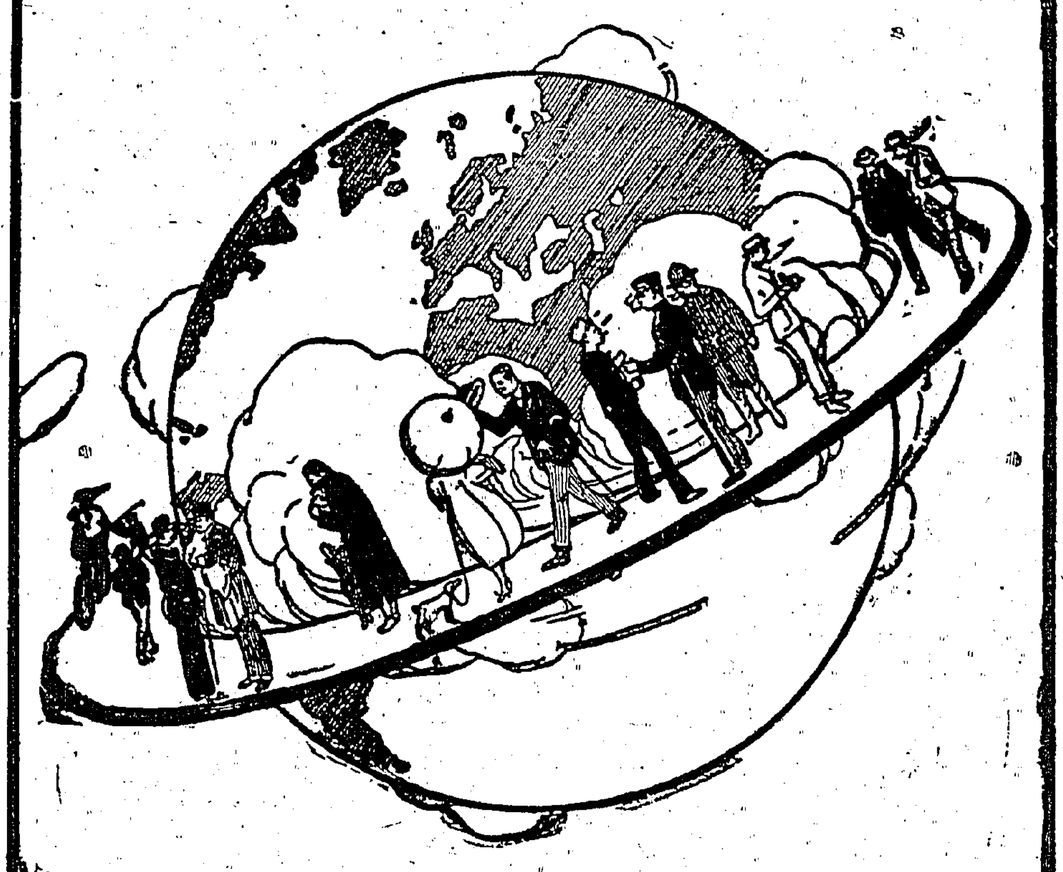
Subscribed Capital ... Frs. 72,000,000.00
Paid-up Capital ... Frs. 62,400,000.00
Reserve Funds ... Frs. 69,567,331.54

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V. MARBOT,
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Hongkong, July 12th, 1921 [29

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